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'A heightened sense of fear'



A heavily armed Halifax Regional Police officer redirects traffic on Carmichael Street as police arrest a man on Thursday after a gun was found on a bus. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Duke Street. A day after Parliament Hill shooting, gun call in downtown Halifax results in heavy police presence, lockdowns, arrest

What began as a quiet, cloudy Thursday morning quickly turned into chaos as police officers scoured the streets of downtown Halifax in search of man believed to be armed with a rifle.

Halifax Regional Police say a call came from a witness around 8:30 a.m. who reported seeing a white man dressed in dark cargo pants, carrying a rifle wrapped in cloth, walking down Duke Street.

Within the hour, officers armed with assault rifles descended upon the area, while police cars drove around the streets, talking to witnesses, looking for the alleged suspect.

Police spokeswoman Const. Holly Tooke said any possible reports of a gunman wandering the streets would be alarming to people, but described Thursday's situation as especially "unique" given the

shootings that took place in Ottawa one day before.

"It's natural to have a heightened sense of fear," she said Thursday afternoon, saying that tragedies such as those that took place on Parliament Hill can stay with people a while, and make them question their own sense of safety.

All government buildings were soon placed under a lockdown, including city hall, where people who came to attend a school board meeting were turned away at the doors.

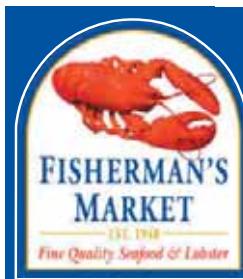
Employees from the Duke Tower who stepped outside for a cigarette were left confused when they were unable to re-enter the building without their security pass cards.

"I'm surprised because it represents a Canada we didn't think was the Canada we were," said one woman who was walking to work down Duke Street.

Suddenly, around 11 a.m., a flurry of police cars converged at the corner of Carmichael and Argyle streets, where a suspect was taken into custody. Shortly after that, many of the lockdowns ended.

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Police response to gun threat was 'heavy' but normal: Chief

Feeling 'tense'. Cops investigating possibility two separate incidents are connected, as city still on edge following tragic events in Ottawa

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Halifax Regional Police are currently investigating whether there is any connection between two gun-related incidents that took place in the downtown Thursday morning.

Around 8:30 a.m., police responded to a call from a witness who claimed to see a white man dressed in dark cargo pants on Duke Street with a rifle wrapped in some sort of cloth.

Following an extensive police search of the area, officers arrested a 25-year-old man at Argyle and Carmichael streets around 11 a.m., after reports he had left a weapon on a Halifax transit bus.

During a news conference Thursday afternoon, police Chief Jean-Michel Blais said investigators could not confirm if the two events were related, but said the suspect who was taken into custody did not match the description of the alleged gunman who was earlier reported.

Blais would not confirm if any charges have been laid, or if the earlier witness reports of a man with a gun were even true.

He described Thursday morning's events as "tense,"



A Halifax Regional Police officer removes evidence from a Metro Transit bus on Albemarle Street on Thursday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

saying many people likely felt on edge, given the shootings that had taken place in Ottawa the day before.

"In a situation like this, it's kind of difficult not to overact to a certain degree," he said. "People may view some item that looks like a gun and report it to us. We don't want people not to report it to us," he told reporters.

However, Blais assured

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"Everybody has lives they have to continue with."

Halifax police Chief Jean-Michel Blais

that "there is no link between these two cases and

the incidents that occurred in Quebec and Ottawa."

He also described the level of police response to Thursday's events as indeed "heavy" and "robust," but said it was not out of the ordinary.

"Had there not been the incidents (in Ottawa and Quebec), I'm sure we would have had the same response," Blais said, adding the downtown typically has the highest concentrations of police officers in the city.

In moving forward, Blais stressed residents should be assured there are no other threats to the safety of the city and they should remain vigilant, but not paranoid.

"The important thing for people to realize is that, No. 1, we have to continue with our lives ... but No. 2, just to be a bit aware of the circumstances around them."

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'We will stand up' to any threat, local veteran says after tragedy



Sgt. Roland Lawless poses for a photo in Grand Parade on Thursday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

At the Grand Parade cenotaph. Man pays respects in Halifax to fallen soldiers

Dressed in his navy uniform with silver and bronze medals pinned to his chest, Sgt. Roland Lawless raised his arm and gave a lone salute to the cenotaph in Grand Parade.

"Looks like I'm all alone," the retired sergeant said, as one hand gripped a wooden cane and rain poured down his face.

The veteran said he drove from his home in Chezzetcook to Halifax to hold a vigil at the Cenotaph on Thursday at 11:11 a.m., to honour the fallen soldier who was shot and killed in Ottawa the day before.

However, Lawless stood alone at the monument, saying many people were afraid to join him because of reports of a gunman who was apparently spotted ear-

lier in the morning.

But no threat was going to stop the man who served as a member of Canada's Armed Forces for 20 years from saying goodbye to a brother.

"I felt it important for me to come here to let whoever wants to cause harm to our city and our country know that they can't do it.... We will stand up," Lawless said.

Lawless said that he comes to the cenotaph regularly as a form of "penitence" any time there is news of a soldier, police officer or one of their family members who is in need of support.

He also works as an advocate for the Foundation for Atlantic Heroes, an organization that provides financial and transitional

support for homeless "at-risk" veterans.

On Thursday, Lawless said he whispered a prayer for the family of Cpl. Nathan Cirillo — the soldier who was gunned down at the National War Memorial — as well as for the soldier recently killed in Quebec.

Afterwards, he left behind a quarter, which he explained was traditionally placed at gravesides to honour the death of a "brother or sister."

The veteran, who suffers from PTSD, said the events of the past few days have triggered a number of memories and trauma from his time in the service.

"I'm ready for battle," Lawless said. "Ten days ago I was in Ottawa with a Silver Cross mother."

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Disbelief

"I don't know how you send a city into fear like this."

Sgt. Roland Lawless

Mayor: Police response 'very strong, very appropriate'



Mayor Mike Savage JEFF HARPER/METRO

The mayor of Halifax had nothing but praise for how police in Halifax handled a gun scare in the city on Thursday morning.

"They handled the situation perfectly," Mike Savage said by phone from his office at city hall, where he spent part of the morning under a lockdown as police scoured

the downtown core over a report of a man walking with a rifle.

"I think the response from the police this morning was very strong and very appropriate."

Savage said he was in a meeting at his office when city hall was placed under the lockdown.

Be alert

**"It never hurts to be
vigilant."**

Halifax Mayor Mike Savage

During the morning chaos, Savage was in contact with the chief of Halifax

Regional Police, and the superintendent of the Halifax RCMP.

He also said when the lockdown ended, he spoke with several officers patrolling the city and was impressed with what he saw.

"These are amazing servants of the people, who take their job very seriously," he said.

Savage said given the events this week in Ottawa and Quebec City, it's understandable that people have "a heightened sense of worry," but police are doing the right thing when erring on the side of caution when reports like this come in.

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Tread carefully with increased security, Nova Scotia MPs say

Access to the public.

Politicians aren't in any rush to expand security measures on Parliament Hill

As the intense emotions of Wednesday's shootings in Ottawa subsided, two local MPs who spent the day on lockdown in the Parliament Buildings said questions about changing or increasing security measures and surveillance need to be considered thoughtfully and not reflexively.

"We need to figure out what happened ... here in a public space, can we prevent that from happening again? If yes, how?" said Halifax MP Megan Leslie Thursday. "How do we balance safety and security with our ability to walk freely and without fear and surveilling every move of everybody?"



Flags fly at half mast Thursday on Parliament Hill and on the Peace Tower in Ottawa.

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According to police, Quebec native Michael Zehaf-Bibeau, 32, shot and killed Cpl. Nathan Cirillo at the National War Memorial Wednesday morning before moving swiftly into Parliament's Centre Block, where

he was shot and killed.

Leslie said the incident was "very, very frightening," but said the security personnel did their jobs and kept everyone safe.

She said figuring out how to

protect residents and visitors without limiting access to public areas like the War Memorial or the Hill's beloved lawn is a question MPs will have to deliberate "sensibly" over the next weeks and even months.

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"I don't believe we should act on anything unless we are acting on facts. So there will be answers about the genesis of this attack, and from those answers, we'll make any necessary changes."

Halifax MP Megan Leslie

"I think we need to be vigilant, but that's different from being suspicious, that's different from creating a police state," she said. "Things have changed since (Wednesday), but we are still the same country. We just need to take some time to figure out what happened and what we can do about it."

Sackville-Eastern Shore MP Peter Stoffer said there's no question in his mind that security measures in the Parliament Buildings will increase as a result of Wednesday's incident, and he said that's not a bad thing.

"It's not us, we're only here a short time," he said. "There's 3,000 people who work on Parliament Hill every day and it's their security we need to look after."

However, Stoffer said, MPs will have to be careful not to overreact with heavy-handed security measures in a futile rush to try to protect against every imaginable threat.

"You could feel Canadians saying (Thursday), 'Keep our democracy strong,'" said Stoffer. "I've always said, you don't protect civil liberties by suspending civil liberties."

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Stoffer and Leslie rave about sergeant-at-arms

Parliamentary Sergeant-at-Arms Kevin Vickers received a standing ovation in the House of Commons on Thursday after shooting and killing gunman Michael Zehaf-Bibeau.

"He looked very emotional at that moment. We're really grateful," said Halifax MP Megan Leslie, getting a little "teary" in her own right.

Leslie and Sackville-Eastern Shore MP Peter Stoffer said the Miramichi, N.B., native is a "multi-faceted" man who has provided thoughtful leadership since taking over his position eight years ago.

"One of the first things he did when he became sergeant-at-arms ... every position that he's responsible for, from the cleaners to the maintenance to everybody, he donned the uniforms of those guys and worked there a couple of days," said Stoffer.



Sergeant-at-Arms Kevin Vickers enters the House of Commons Thursday.

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Stoffer noted the former Mountie also received a tribute from the World Sikh Organization of Canada after he decided to allow Sikhs to wear kirpans — ceremonial daggers — in the House of Commons.

"He's one of the smartest people you'll ever meet. But he's also an extremely humble individual," said Stoffer.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper hugged Vickers in the House of Commons Thursday after praising him in a speech, praise that Leslie said was well-deserved.

"He's a Maritimer, he has to be the greatest," said Leslie. "He's a really, really, really good guy."

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"He's a Maritimer, he has to be the greatest."

Halifax MP Megan Leslie, speaking about Parliamentary Sergeant-at-Arms Kevin Vickers



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Weatherman forecasts this winter will feel like a 'tropical heat wave'

David Phillips.

Senior Environment Canada forecaster says every model shows temperatures will be warmer than normal

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Environment Canada's senior climatologist is promising — yes, promising — Nova Scotians the coming winter won't be anything like the last.

"Even if it were normal, it would seem like a tropical heat wave compared to what you had last year," said David Phillips Thursday.

Phillips said the winter of 2013-14 was unusually snowy, cold and long, with



David Phillips, a senior climatologist for Environment Canada, poses for a photo while in Halifax on Thursday.
JEFF HARPER/METRO

snowstorms starting in late November and occurring as late as April.

But he said both Canadian and American forecasters — and even the

Farmers' Almanac — are agreed that temperatures for the next three months

will be warmer than usual.

"We know the water off the coast of Atlantic Canada is like a hot tub out there, it's two, three, 3-1/2 degrees warmer than it should be for this time of year. It's huge," said Phillips. "The early signs of winter can't come if they're going to be moderated by this warm water."

Phillips was in Halifax to speak to the Nova Scotia Nature Trust, and also to promote his 2015 Weather Trivia Calendar, now in its 27th year of publication.

The calendar is packed with weather-related facts and tidbits, such as the fact that anglers are struck by lightning twice as often as golfers.

It also highlights significant weather events for every date of the year, some recent — Tropical Storm Gabrielle that battered Nova Scotia with rain and wind on Sept. 13, 2013, for instance — and

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The annual number of hits on Environment Canada's website by residents of Halifax, according to Dave Phillips' trivia calendar.

some much older, such as the record-breaking 32-degree temperature plunge on Feb. 18, 1922.

Phillips said the historical events all tend to be bad news, "hardship and misery" stories — but he said that plays into the Canadian fascination and pride when it comes to surviving miserable conditions.

"You think that everyone else is sissies or wimps," he said. "It's that badge of courage that we have as Canadians — we don't need help from outsiders."

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Generation Change. Youth anti-bullying vigil to be held at Alderney Landing

The issue of youth and bullying will be brought to the forefront this weekend as the annual Generation Change candlelight vigil takes place in Dartmouth.

The anti-bullying event began in 2012 and was started by Toni Nicholas, who as a teenager, took 80 extra-strength Tylenol doses in an attempt to kill herself.

Since then, the now Grade 11 student has started a support group for bullied youth called Generation Change, and has held this vigil, which will again this year honour the hundreds of young people who



Toni Nicholas JEFF HARPER/METRO

have committed suicide.

Saturday's event takes place Saturday at Alderney Landing next to the playground from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. It will include speeches and a vigil. METRO

New Glasgow Academy

Knife scare at school turns out to be toenail clippers

New Glasgow Academy went into "lockdown" for a brief period Thursday afternoon.

Const. Ken MacDonald said New Glasgow Regional

Police were called to New Glasgow Academy around 3 p.m. after the school reported an incident with a student.

He said police investigated and discovered that a shiny object spotted on a student was toenail clippers that were mistaken for a knife.

No injuries were reported. No charges were laid.

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'A very special day' for family of homeless man slain in Berwick

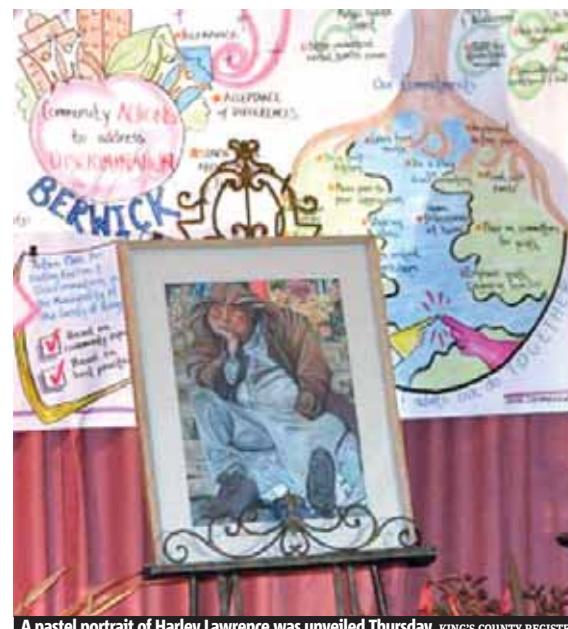
Dedication. Memorial garden named in honour of Harley Lawrence

Harley Lawrence's death on a town sidewalk in Berwick a year ago had a "significant impact" on the community, prompting local residents to look within and "find some good to come out of the tragedy," the community's mayor says.

"It has been one year exactly since Harley's tragic death," recalled Berwick Mayor Don Clarke as he presided over the Thursday dedication of the Harley Lawrence Memorial Garden, which is located in downtown Berwick.

Due to rain, the ceremony was moved indoors to the chapel of the Serenity Lindsay Funeral home, which provided land for the garden.

The idea of building a memorial garden in Lawrence's memory sprang from school and community meetings



A pastel portrait of Harley Lawrence was unveiled Thursday. KING'S COUNTY REGISTER

that followed the 62-year-old's death. The garden was planted in June at the intersection of Union and Commercial streets in Berwick through the assistance of

several local businesses and school students.

Harley's brother, Ron Lawrence, spoke at the dedication after unveiling a portrait of his brother as he looked while he lived on the streets of Berwick.

"This is a very special day for our family," said Lawrence of the dedication.

Ron Lawrence also publicly thanked the RCMP for their efforts in making arrests in his brother's death.

Sarah MacDonald-Hiltz, who designed the garden, described the space as written by Berwick School students.

"It is a peaceful place to remember Harley Lawrence as a member of our community."

Local musician Hughie McDonell performed his song Here For a Reason, which he wrote after Lawrence's death in a bus shelter fire.

Two Kings County men have been charged with murdering Lawrence, who was living on Berwick's streets at the time of his death.

KING'S COUNTY REGISTER



Drivers on Highway 111 in Dartmouth are shown in this file photo. JEFF HARPER/METRO

N.S. aims to strengthen rules for new drivers

Transportation.

Legislation amends policies regarding alcohol, length of licensing process

It would take longer for drivers in Nova Scotia to become fully licensed and those drivers would not be allowed to have any alcohol in their system

for two years under legislation introduced by the provincial government Tuesday.

Amendments to the province's Motor Vehicle Act would see the minimum time to complete the beginner phase of the graduated licensing program rise from six months to one year and drivers would have to maintain zero blood-alcohol content for two years after they complete the program.

Supervisory drivers would

have to be fully licensed for at least two years after they complete the program instead of being immediately eligible to supervise a beginning driver as they are now.

Transportation Minister Geoff MacLellan said the changes mark the first time the graduated licensing program has been improved since its inception in 1994.

"They will help to instill good driving habits and be-

haviour early with our ultimate goal to reduce the number of crashes and fatalities on our roads and highways," said MacLellan.

Drivers who have permanently lost their licences following a fourth conviction for impaired driving would also be allowed to apply for reinstatement. The change would not apply to more serious offences such as manslaughter.

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Court. Publication ban placed on assessment of murder conviction

A judge granted a publication ban Thursday on a preliminary assessment in the case of a Nova Scotia man whose murder conviction may have been the result of a miscarriage of justice.

The lawyers for Glen Eugene Assoun and the federal Justice Department argued last week against allowing the public to hear or see details from the initial federal review of Assoun's second-degree murder conviction.

Assoun was sentenced to life in prison in 1999 for the stabbing of his girlfriend, but his lawyers want to use the preliminary assessment to help secure his freedom.

In his ruling, Justice James Chipman of the Nova Scotia Supreme Court says

Details

The preliminary assessment contains details witnesses never expected to become public and evidence that may prove to be inadmissible in future, the judge wrote, adding that some of the information might also jeopardize an ongoing investigation, while other portions are privileged and protected by statute from release.

allowing the public access to the document when the investigation is still in its early stages could pose a threat to the administration of justice.

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Hit-and-run

Bumper cars on Highway 102

The RCMP are investigating an incident that saw a vehicle strike another more than once, on Highway 102 Wednesday night. The victim reported exiting into Truro in a Jeep TJ, when a gold-coloured half-tonne truck struck the Jeep from behind. The suspect then pulled alongside and proceeded to strike the Jeep again, this time on the front fender. The suspect vehicle continued northbound on the highway. TRURO DAILY NEWS

Weather

Possible flooding in store for Nova Scotia

People living in parts of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia were bracing Thursday for possible flooding as a slow-moving weather system threatened to dump 50 to 100 mm of rain.

Forecasters say the low-pressure system was to bring heavy rain and thundershowers to southern Nova Scotia and New Brunswick Thursday and Friday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Survivor tackles cancer, in brief



Mark McIntyre, a testicular cancer survivor, tossed off his clothes at the Stanfield's factory in Truro on Thursday as part of Stanfield's Streak Week. The campaign raises money for below-the-waist cancers. TRURO DAILY NEWS

Mark McIntyre.
Testicular cancer survivor has spent the past 10 days taking part in Stanfield's Streak Week campaign

Mark McIntyre stepped out of a black SUV Thursday afternoon, ready to take on one more media request. Wearing a black pea coat, grey hoodie and blue jeans, he extended his hand to shake with a reporter.

"Hey Mark, your fly is down," chimed in Ryan Bourret, an advertising manager and entourage member.

"Yeah, that's pretty much par for the course with this job," he fired back.

For the last 10 days, McIntyre has been tossing off the blue jeans and showcasing his blue skivvies — Stanfield's, of course, to combat a disease that threatened his life six years ago.

"When I was diagnosed with testicular cancer, I was kind of the exception," McIntyre said.

"I was 38, it wasn't supposed to happen."

After taking part in a University of Toronto med school training program, it was discovered he had a lump. It turned out to be cancerous.

"I remember going for a walk around that time and really thinking that something good could come from this," said McIntyre, an actor/musician from Toronto. "I thought maybe I'll write a play about it, or maybe write some songs about the experience."

What happened, however, was a much different story.

The cancer was caught early and was very treatable. It wasn't long until McIntyre was back to normal and looking for a way to give back to the programs and doctors who helped him.

At the same time in Truro, Stanfield's was looking for a new way to help out. Having always had a keen interest in men's health, and being world famous for their men's underwear, they began to seek a survivor of below-the-waist cancer to be their new face.

Cue McIntyre.

Buzzworthy skivvies

To date, the three campaigns have raised over \$100,000 for below-the-waist cancers and created a major buzz for Stanfield's.

- The current campaign has seen more than 7.5 million social media interactions in the last two weeks.

"I really don't know how we found this guy," said Jon Stanfield, Stanfield's Canada president, with a laugh. "We were looking for someone who was up for anything."

Decked out in only his Stanfield's, McIntyre planted his butt on the boardroom table with portraits of Stanfield's founding fathers looking on in the background for photo opportunities Thursday. It's clear Jon Stanfield found his guy.

"Any time they come to me with an idea, it's just 'yes,'" McIntyre added. "I will agree to just about anything at this point." TRURO DAILY NEWS

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Sergeant-at-Arms Kevin Vickers used 9-mm pistol to kill shooter

Parliament. RCMP veteran had never before fired a gun while on duty, family says



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When Michael Zehaf-Bibeau burst through the doors of Parliament, House of Commons Sergeant-at-Arms Kevin Vickers was armed only with a sword.

Forged in the 19th century, the ceremonial "Gaunt blade" — the symbol of Vickers' office — was no match for the double-barrelled shotgun clenched in the gunman's fists.

The details of what transpired in the minutes between Zehaf-Bibeau entering the Centre Block and being shot down by Vickers are still under investigation and officials have released little information.

What we do know is that at some point, Vickers put down his sword and retrieved a 9-mm pistol from a safe in his office.

"(Vickers) would not normally be armed but his people would be. He is tied to his desk so he would have been right there in his office with access to his gun," said retired Col. Michel Drapeau, an expert on security, defence and military affairs.

Vickers then joined the tide of House of Commons security and RCMP officers in pursuit of Zehaf-Bibeau.

Vickers confronted his tar-



Kevin Vickers, the sergeant-at-arms of the House of Commons, is shown in this still image taken from a CBC video in Parliament's Hall of Honour carrying a gun on Wednesday. Vickers is credited with helping shoot dead the lone gunman who went on a murderous rampage in Ottawa. CBC/THE CANADIAN PRESS

get outside the Library of Parliament. RCMP Commissioner Bob Paulson said the two hid behind nearby pillars and exchanged gunfire until a shot from Vickers' sidearm killed Zehaf-Bibeau.

According to Vickers' family, the 29-year veteran of the RCMP had never fired his gun in the line of duty.

"I'm extremely humbled to be a younger brother to an outstanding Canadian," Vickers'

brother, John, told Metro by phone from Victoria Thursday.

Shortly after dispatching Zehaf-Bibeau, Vickers stopped by to check on Conservative MPs locked down in their caucus room.

"I engaged the assailant; he is deceased," Vickers told them, according to one MP who was present.

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House of Commons

Hero's welcome

Less than 24 hours after ending a lone gunman's murderous rampage inside Parliament, Sergeant-at-Arms Kevin Vickers returned to the House of Commons a hero.

Applause from all sides of the House rained down on a stoic Vickers as he carried the mace into the legislative chamber.

Vickers was largely expressionless, save for an occasional nod of acknowledgment. At one point, he appeared close to tears during the ovation, which lasted several minutes.

The sergeant-at-arms then delivered a short speech to the assembled MPs, wherein he expressed condolences to the family of Cpl. Nathan Cirillo, the Canadian Forces soldier who was killed Wednesday.

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Prime Minister Stephen Harper speaks with House of Commons Sergeant-at-Arms Kevin Vickers on Thursday.

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MPs recount Ottawa shooting

Harper took refuge in a closet or closet-like space, while MPs and senators lay on the ground or stood pressed against the walls.

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- Conservative and NDP MPs filed into their morning caucus rooms on opposite sides of the Hall of Honour around 9:30 a.m. to discuss the day's business.
- In the Conservative caucus room, the prime minister would have entered and taken his seat along the western wall.
- A half-hour later, the first gunshot rang out. However, all of the MPs who spoke to The Canadian Press agreed that they thought nothing of it.
- Moments later, there was a second exchange of gunfire. MPs described the sound as deafening.
- "My next thought was, well, if they're right outside our door ... the next thing they'd do is that there'd be a dozen terrorists busting through the wooden door and spraying bullets everywhere," said Treasury Board President Tony Clement.
- Prime Minister Harper initially tried to leave the room along with other MPs out of a north-facing door but was persuaded to stay in the room instead.
- Harper hunkered down into what has been described as a closet or a closet-like space, according to multiple Conservatives. MPs and senators lay on the ground or stood pressed against the walls.

Makeshift weapons

Many MPs were reportedly seen brandishing flags and other parliamentary implements as makeshift weapons. Democratic Reform Minister Pierre Poilievre was said to wield a bronze flagpole for most of the day, even clutching it hours later when he and his colleagues were escorted from the building.



Pierre Poilievre THE CANADIAN PRESS



Prime Minister Stephen Harper hugs the leader of the Liberal Party of Canada Justin Trudeau in the House of Commons on Thursday in Ottawa. The House of Commons is back in action, kicked off by an exhilarating show of support for the sergeant-at-arms of the House of Commons, who was among those who opened fire Wednesday on the gunman who stormed Parliament Hill. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS



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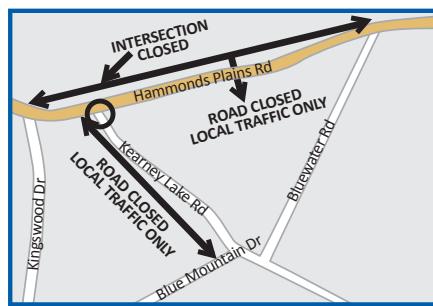
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Shooter lived at Ottawa shelter for over a week, residents say

Michael Zehaf Bibeau.

While residing at Ottawa Mission, alleged gunman voiced anger at no-fly list status according to residents



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Days before he shot and killed a Canadian soldier and stormed Parliament Hill with a rifle, Michael Zehaf Bibeau had been trying to leave the country, but was having trouble getting a Canadian passport, according to residents at the Ottawa Mission.

Several residents at the downtown shelter say Zehaf Bibeau had been living there at least a week and a half.

Lloyd Maxwell said he saw Zehaf Bibeau using a public pay phone inside the shelter ask-



Ottawa Police officers comb the area in front of the National War Memorial near Parliament Hill, where Cpl. Nathan Cirillo, 24, was killed by a gunman in Ottawa. JUSTIN TANG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

ing if he could rent a car from Hertz with a credit card.

He described the 32-year-old as a "weird guy, but he was a likeable guy."

"He was just mad because he couldn't get his passport," recalled Maxwell. "He said, 'I don't know why I'm not getting my passport.'"

Zehaf Bibeau wanted to leave Sunday and needed the passport "to go back to his home country," according to Maxwell.

RCMP commissioner Bob Paulson revealed at a news conference in Ottawa Thursday the gunman's mother, Susan Bibeau, told authorities Wed-

nesday her son wanted to travel to Syria.

Paulson also said the gunman arrived in Ottawa on Oct. 2 and his passport "was in the process of being denied." He said Zehaf Bibeau was not one of the 90 individuals being tracked by the RCMP in relation to national security concerns.

The last time Maxwell saw Zehaf Bibeau was Sunday. "He said, 'I gotta get out of here, I gotta get out of here,' and then the fire alarm went off, then he took off, I guess, with a duffel bag and that was the end of it."

Ottawa Mission spokesperson Shirley Roy said police officers questioned residents Wednesday about the shooting.

Resident Dave Duchesne told Metro people who live in the shelter were in complete shock to learn one of their fellow housemates — described as a "handsome" and "personable" guy — was involved.

"He wasn't radical about anything. He mentioned a couple of times that he was quite angry with Canada because he was on a no-fly list," said Duchesne.

"This was not something that we expected; to have another one of our housemates not show up for breakfast because of the actions he committed the day before. So, we're all a little rattled."

Mother and son

Zehaf Bibeau's mother, Susan Bibeau, released a statement on Thursday apologizing for her son's actions.

- Estranged. "I am mad at our son. I don't understand and part of me wants to hate him at this time," the statement said. "(He) was lost and did not fit in. I, his mother, spoke with him last week over lunch; I had not seen him for over five years before that. So I have very little insight to offer."



Michael Zehaf Bibeau is shown in a Twitter photo Tweeted by @ArmedResearch, purported to be from an Islamic State media account.

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Woman recalls efforts to save dying soldier

'Everyone was so calm.' Passersby Barbara Winters worked steadily amid possibility of danger from another gunman

Lawyer Barbara Winters was headed to a meeting Wednesday near her office at the Canada Revenue Agency in Ottawa when she passed the National War Memorial, stopping to snap a few pictures of the two honour guards standing somberly at attention.

Moments later, she heard four shots. For Winters, a former member of the Canadian Forces Naval Reserve, the sounds were unmistakable.

Turning, she saw people ducking. She began to run — not toward safety, but toward



Cpl. Nathan Cirillo in an undated photo from his Facebook page.
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the shots, and the wounded soldier lying at the foot of the memorial.

As she reached the memorial, Winters saw four people bending over a fallen soldier. She dropped her purse and briefcase on the steps and began to help.

Margaret Lerhe, a nurse on her way to work at the



When she heard shots, lawyer Barbara Winters ran toward them, then performed CPR and comforted Cpl. Nathan Cirillo in the aftermath of the shooting at the War Memorial in Ottawa. STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Elizabeth Bruyere Hospital, was pressing her hands to a wound on Cpl. Nathan Cirillo's left side to stanch the bleeding. Another corporal, a third member of the honour guard who accompanies the two standing at attention, was on Cirillo's right side, pressing his hands to a wound there. Another soldier was bent over

Cirillo's head, talking to him. Another passerby was at Cirillo's feet.

The impromptu team kept waiting for an ambulance, desperately willing Cirillo to hang on. Sirens signalled the arrival of the paramedics. But Cirillo died in the arms of the people working so hard to keep him alive. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Muslim leaders react

'We must not allow these attacks to divide us,' says open letter released in response to terror suggestions

We don't know the motivation behind the shooting of honour guard Cpl. Nathan Cirillo at the National War Memorial, but Prime Minister Stephen Harper, speaking on Wednesday, linked the murder to a hit-and-run driver that killed Warrant Officer Patrice Vincent in Quebec.

Harper said the latter was a terrorist inspired by ISIS, suggesting a connection between the two tragedies.

In response, Ottawa and Gatineau's Muslim leaders quickly released an open letter saying they were deeply saddened and grieved by the senseless loss of life.

"We must not allow these attacks to divide us," reads the letter. "We call



"I take great offence at this act. It is very, very unfortunate that individuals that have mental illnesses or have become radicalized or embrace extremism look to the internet and misinterpret a very positive faith."

Sikander Hashemi, the imam of the Kanata Muslim Association and a representative of the Canadian Council of Imams, speaking at the National War Memorial after laying flowers on Thursday.

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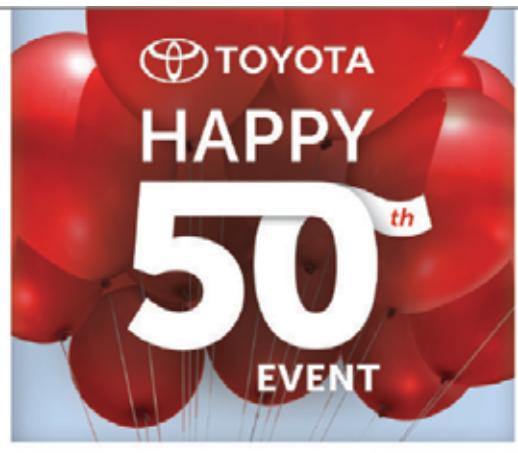
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Ottawa Police officers comb the area in front of the National War Memorial near Parliament Hill on Thursday, in the area where Cpl. Nathan Cirillo, 24, was killed by a gunman the day before. The gunman opened fire at the National War Memorial, then moved to nearby Parliament Hill and wounded a security guard before he was shot by Parliament's sergeant-at-arms. JUSTIN TANG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Hill shooting gun a common rifle

Winchester .30-30.

Firearm, first seen in the 1890s, is popular in eastern Canada, salesman says

The gun Michael Zehab Bi-beau allegedly used to kill Cpl. Nathan Cirillo is a common hunting rifle.

The Winchester .30-30 lever action rifle, known as "Model 94" for its 1894 introduction, is sometimes called "The Gun that Won the West," according to the Winchester website.

Through the 1930s, '40s and '50s, it was a standard hunting rifle in North America — not terribly expensive, but well built and good for deer hunting, said Tony Bernardo, the executive director of the Canadian Shooting Sports Association, a politically active organization which

Winchester .30-30 price range

Canadian Shooting Sports Association's Tony Bernardo says the rifle "is as common as dirt."

- 1957 Toronto Star ad. An advertisement that appeared in the paper stated this particular rifle was

calls itself the voice of sports shooters and firearm enthusiasts in Canada, lobbying for the "right of responsible Canadians to have unrestricted lawful access to firearms."

Al Flaherty's Outdoor Store in Toronto doesn't carry the rifle, but a salesman noted you could find it at "any outdoor store."

"We just don't get a lot of requests for them."

"It's probably more popular in eastern Canada where people are hunting in bush for

deer ... it's not well-adapted for long-range shooting," said Stan Frost, an executive member with the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association.

To buy the rifle in Canada, you need a Possession and Acquisition Licence, which requires a person to pass the Canadian Firearm Safety Course and exam.

The process also includes a comprehensive police background and personal reference checks, Bernardo says.

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Diplomacy

Trip to ease security concerns

Canadian officials are planning a diplomatic blitz to address security jitters following two attacks this week that have drawn extensive coverage from U.S. media.

Ambassador Gary Doer and other embassy staff will make it a priority in the

coming days to reach out to American decision-makers to emphasize Canada's commitment to security, a government source said Thursday.

Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird has already begun doing interviews with American media — and in one such appearance Thursday he pushed back when asked whether the Parliament Hill shooter had visited the U.S.

"A lot of Canadians visit the United States. I wouldn't

think there's any link in that," Baird said in an interview with CNN's Christiane Amanpour. "I think (radicalization has) become a major problem for all Western countries, and Canada is not immune to that."

The Parliament Hill shooting has aroused concerns from some commentators who believe border security debates should focus on Canada, not Mexico.

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Grounds for stripping citizenship could grow

Judge to rule. New law would add espionage, terrorism to revocation reasons

A Federal Court judge is considering whether Parliament has the authority to pass a law that could see a Canadian-born terrorist stripped of citizenship.

Two Toronto lawyers, Paul Slansky and Rocco Gal-

ati, argue that the Strengthening Canadian Citizenship Act, which could allow the government to revoke the citizenship of someone who holds dual citizenship, is unconstitutional.

Previously, a person could be stripped of Canadian citizenship for attaining it through false representations.

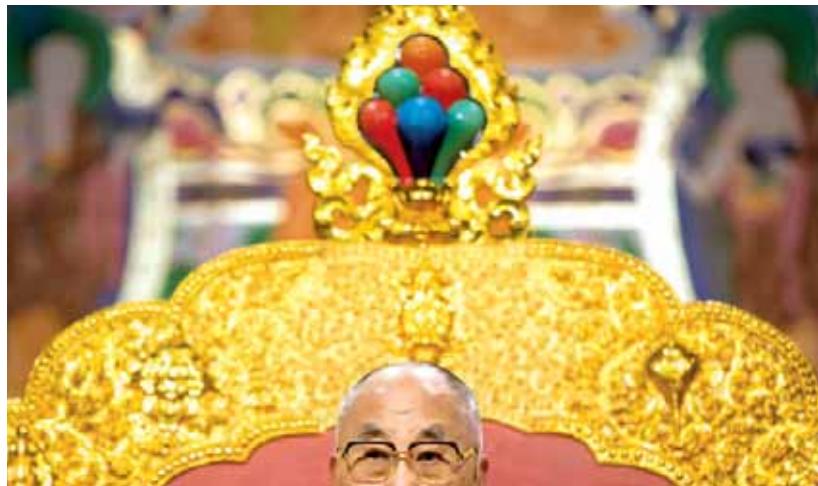
The new law expands the list of those vulnerable to revocation to include people born in Canada but eligible to claim citizenship in an-

other country — for instance, through their parents.

It also broadens the grounds for revocation to include several criminal offences including espionage, treason or terrorism.

After a day of arguments in court Thursday, Federal Court Judge Donald Rennie reserved his decision. But whichever way he rules, it's expected the case will be appealed all the way to the Supreme Court of Canada.

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Tibetan spiritual leader the Dalai Lama speaks on empowerment and compassion as a path to happiness at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver Thursday. Proceeds from the event will support a humanitarian initiative to resettle 1,000 displaced Tibetans in Canada. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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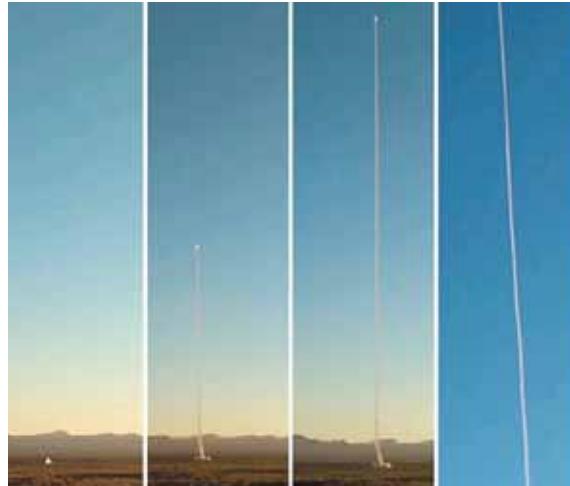
And around the world.

Hallie Twomey wanted her boy C.J. to visit all the places he wasn't able to prior to his suicide

A Maine mother who's using social media to have her son's ashes scattered all over the world has sent him on his greatest journey yet: to space.

Using her Facebook page, which has more than 17,000 likes, Hallie Twomey has mailed hundreds of packets of her son C.J.'s ashes to strangers worldwide so they can be scattered at the many places he wasn't able to see before he died more than four years ago.

On Thursday, a rocket containing a vial of his ashes was launched into space from the desert in New Mexico. The rocket spent a few minutes in space before landing in the nearby



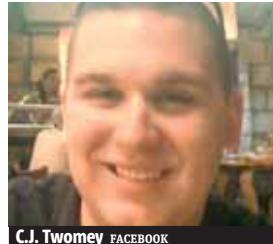
Up, up and away: Hallie Twomey said sending her son's ashes to space represented the perfect sendoff. FACEBOOK

White Sands Missile Range.

Twomey called it the perfect send-off for her adrenaline-loving son, who was 20 years old

when he shot himself after getting into an argument with his parents.

His ashes have been scat-



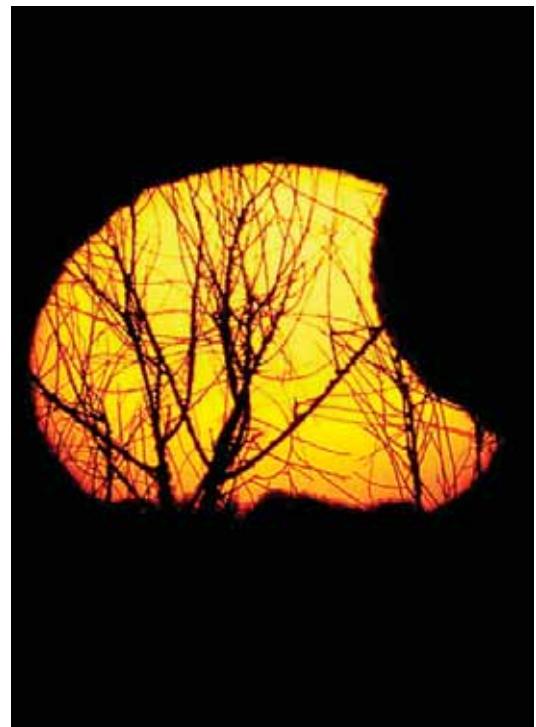
C.J. Twomey FACEBOOK

tered in nearly all 50 states and in dozens of places overseas, including Saudi Arabia, Thailand and Denmark.

Twomey, who lives with her husband and 21-year-old son in Auburn, Maine, said that while she hasn't been able to get over her guilt, she has been touched by the kindness of strangers over the last year. "I have never experienced such a collective sort of hug," she said.

Twomey's ashes and those of about three dozen others' were on the rocket.

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A treetop eclipse

Silhouetted against the sun these tree branches make for a stunning scene during a partial solar eclipse as seen south of Gainesville, Fla., on Thursday. MATT STAMEY/THE GAINESVILLE SUN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Pistorius told he can't compete during five-year prison sentence

End of runner's career?

Powers that be agree that 'Blade Runner' should be banned for entire prison term, even if released early

Oscar Pistorius' agent is seeking a prison meeting with the double-amputee athlete in the next few days to discuss his career, with South Africa's Olympic committee saying Thursday the runner can't compete for the full five years of his incarceration.

The decision of the South African Olympic body matches that of the International Paralympic Committee, which said Pistorius cannot run in its events for five years while serving his sentence for killing girlfriend Reeva Steenkamp — even if he is released early to go



South Africa's Olympic committee have told Pistorius he cannot compete for the five years of his jail sentence for killing girlfriend Reeva Steenkamp. AP PHOTO

under house arrest. Agent Peet van Zyl said that lawyers will meet with Pistorius in prison on Friday. After that it will become clearer when Van Zyl and Pistorius' longtime track coach,

Aampie Louw, can talk to him about his running future, he said.

Van Zyl said no discussions have been held over the Olympian and multiple Paralympic

champion's track career because Pistorius was taken straight to prison following his sentencing on Tuesday.

Pistorius, once a globally-admired sportsman, was con-

victed of culpable homicide, or negligent killing, for shooting Steenkamp through a toilet door in his home last year. He was acquitted of murder.

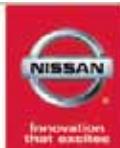
Pistorius' five-year sentence

allows for him to be released from prison after completing one-sixth of his term — 10 months — to serve the remainder under correctional supervision, which involves house arrest.

South African Olympic committee chief executive Tubby Reddy said that Pistorius could not compete for the full duration of that sentence under the body's rules. The IPC said the same this week.

The International Olympic Committee and the IAAF, which controls able-bodied athletics events, have declined to comment on Pistorius' case. South Africa's sports minister said in a newspaper interview that he believed Pistorius' track career was over.

Fikile Mbalula told the Cape Argus newspaper. "I hear people saying that Pistorius will come back. To me that (the sentencing) was the end of the road." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Ditching your wallet may sound appealing, but there are drawbacks

Financial planner Victor Godinho said goodbye to his wallet four years ago and hasn't looked back.

The 23-year-old adviser at the VTAG Financial Group Inc. in Toronto was one of the early adopters of the "cashless" lifestyle, a move to ditch pocket change and bills in favour of plastic cards and mobile phone payments.

It's a trend that's becoming increasingly popular with con-

sumers, and setting off alarm bells for some advisers who say it amplifies the risk for Canadians to unknowingly blow past their monthly budgets.

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PayPal, the global online payments processor, has backed several online surveys conducted by Nielsen on behalf of the company that show that Canadians are eager to adopt new digital payment methods

- A recent poll showed that 45 per cent of 1,504 Canadians surveyed said they were ready to adopt emerging technologies — wearable devices like smartwatches — to make mobile payments.

Facebook co-founder

Zuckerberg gets China's thumbs-up

China may ban Facebook, but not its co-founder Mark Zuckerberg. The young billionaire delighted an audience of students at a prestigious Beijing university this week with a 30-minute chat in his recently learned Mandarin Chinese.

He made no explicit mention of China's ban on the social media giant, but an indirect reference to it drew laughter during the question-and-answer session Wednesday at Tsinghua University.

Tsinghua students gave Zuckerberg a warm reception.

Facebook has been banned in China since 2009. Beijing promotes Internet use for business and education but bans material deemed subversive and blocks access to foreign news and social media websites that authorities believe could stoke social unrest.

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Cream, sugar, dictator? Chain sorry for Hitler, Mussolini coffee creams

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Migros vowed to "tighten our controls for these products drastically."

Migros said in a statement Wednesday that the incident was an internal failure and promised to "tighten our controls for these products drastically" to ensure no more such mistakes.

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GUEST COLUMN

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The strains of O Canada started faintly, but built gradually.

It was sung by cabinet ministers, MPs from all parties, public servants on their way to work, a bicycle courier and university students.

We all sang, but this was a plaintive rendering of the anthem. Spontaneous, yes, but delivered more in grief than defiance, behind police barriers, under a suitably leaden sky, in front of the crime scene known as the National War Memorial.

This city is not yet OttawaStrong, despite the best effort of hashtags on social media.

I'll get there, but not the day after. Not so soon.

Not while so many wept for Hamilton Cpl. Nathan Cirillo on Thursday as the mountain of flowers in his honour grew.

Not when so many were still living the trauma of the day before, not when military members were under orders to limit public appearances in uniform, not with much of the downtown behind those barriers, not with the public barred from Parliament Hill, not when the security presence for Prime Minister Stephen Harper and his wife Laureen, who arrived to place a wreath, was of a magnitude never before seen in the capital, not when guns were drawn on a hapless wanderer who got too close to the ceremony.

"I can still hear the gunshots," Treasury Board President Tony Clement said as he left the Commons, the morning after.

"We're in a state of real confusion about what happens next," said David Scott, an Ot-



Members of Parliament sing O Canada during a vigil near the War Memorial in the aftermath of a shooting in Ottawa, where a soldier murdered at the War Memorial and a gun battle in Parliament killed the alleged gunman. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

tawa lawyer, who brought flowers to the memorial.

Yes, the House of Commons showed resilience and sent the proper signal by returning to work at the normal hour Thursday.

There was an emotional and lengthy tribute to the Sergeant-at-Arms Kevin Vickers, who worked hard to maintain his composure as the applause washed over the chamber.

Moments earlier, he had proudly marched the ceremonial golden mace, a symbol of the authority of our seat of democracy, down the Hall of

Honour. Twenty-four hours before that, he was engaged in a gun battle with Michael Zehaf Bibeau in the same hall.

Vickers had crouched behind a pillar, trading fire with the 32-year-old invader, until the killer exposed himself in a bid for a better angle for a clear shot at Vickers and was gunned down himself.

Vickers marched past the Opposition caucus room where a bullet had pierced the door on his left, finally stopped by a second door meant to soundproof the room. To his right was a bullet

hole outside the government caucus room.

The show of non-partisanship was impressive and needed, with Harper, Opposition leader Tom Mulcair and Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau trading hugs and each offering an embrace for Vickers, who sat near the door like this was another day at the office. It was an important symbol that he took his normal post, even if the day was highly abnormal.

Conversations with MPs on the way in and out of the Commons pivoted on where they were, how they escaped and, mostly, the question that dominated the day — "What if?"

"If I had come out one minute earlier..." said Marc-André Vial, a communications officer with the New Democrats, voice trailing. If he had, he would have been face-to-face with the killer as the gunman entered the building.

Global News cameraman Rob Kazemzadeh did come face-to-face with him and he stood silently at the top of the stairs at the Rotunda the morning after, staring at the Centre Block door, trying to understand the fates that spared

him when Zehaf Bibeau pushed open the door and yelled "hey" at a security guard, clearly brandishing his Winchester .30-30.

And the "what if" that everyone has been talking about for two days — what if Zehaf Bibeau knew where he was going, knew that a quick left halfway on his brief odyssey would have taken him into the government caucus room where Harper was speaking when the first shots were heard, what if he had timed his arrival about 90 minutes later when that hallway would have been full of cabinet ministers, government and opposition MPs, political staffers and journalists milling about.

It was all too fresh for defiance.

Some of these people were back in the building they had left less than 12 hours earlier, following a day when they had feared for their lives.

Defiance will come, but so, too, will the questions.

It took 83 seconds for Zehaf Bibeau to get from his vehicle parked on Wellington Street — after he killed Cirillo in cold blood — to the Centre Block.

By then, officers were in pursuit, and it is clear that security, a huge posse led by Vickers, did their job once he got inside, limiting what could have been a bloodbath.

But 83 seconds is a worrisome chunk of time for a man carrying a rifle to continue unimpeded on a busy morning on Parliament Hill.

Canadians deserve an answer as to how a man with a rifle sprinted onto the grounds of Parliament, hijacked a ministerial vehicle, drove it up to the Centre Block and burst into the building with no one stopping him.

Defiance will come to this city. Answers, and remedies, must follow in rapid succession.

Surveillance in Canada. Journalist who exposed Snowden leaks predicts crackdown

Canadians should expect sweeping security and surveillance measures following attacks against the military in Quebec and Ottawa, says the man who helped expose wide-ranging government monitoring of citizens in the United States.

"I will be shocked if the events of this week don't result in far greater secrecy powers and far greater surveillance

powers than existed previously," Glenn Greenwald told The Canadian Press on Thursday.

"I've seen it so many times where the fear and nationalism that get generated by these events render almost inevitable not just the enactment of legislation that was already pending, but I'll bet new and wholly more extreme measures as well."

Greenwald, a journalist and



Glenn Greenwald THE CANADIAN PRESS

author, chronicled Edward Snowden's revelations of extensive National Security Agency

surveillance programs last year. Shortly after Greenwald's comments, Prime Minister Stephen Harper told the Commons the "surveillance, detention and arrest" powers of the Canadian Security Intelligence Service will quickly be toughened.

"They need to be much strengthened, and I assure you, Mr. Speaker, that work — which is already underway —

will be expedited," he said.

Greenwald was in Montreal to deliver a lecture at McGill University as part of a swing through several Canadian cities.

While working at the Guardian newspaper in Britain, Greenwald put the spotlight on a treasure trove of data from top-secret documents leaked by Snowden, a former National Security Agency contractor and

whistleblower.

Greenwald has since become co-editor of The Intercept, which looks at security issues.

He said Canada should not be underestimated when it comes to intelligence gathering, noting it is part of the so-called "Five Eyes" alliance of countries that includes the United States, the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand. THE CANADIAN PRESS

A terrifying waste of time

Reel Guys

**RICHARD
CROUSE AND
MARK BRESLIN**



Ouija, starring Olivia Cooke, opens today. CONTRIBUTED

Movies. The acting and storytelling in this lame fright fest are more cardboard than Ouija board

Richard: Mark, Ouija is scary, but not scary like Dracula, Edgar Allan Poe or hungry zombies. No, I thought Ouija was scary because as I watched it I could feel my life slipping away, second-by-second, for 90 excruciating minutes.

As scary as you would imagine a horror film inspired by a board game to be, it's a mishmash of demonology.

Japanese horror and so many slasher movie tropes the producers owe John Carpenter and Wes Craven a writing credit.

The blonde girl dies first, there's spooky stuff in the attic and the plucky heroine outlives almost everyone. At least there's very little found footage.

Which way does your planchette point on this movie? Yes or no?

Mark: My planchette points straight down on this one, Richard.

The Ouija board itself is a dumb device, as laughable as tea leaves or numerology.

Then the rest of the movie makes up its own rules as it

goes along, with little regard for storytelling or even visual style.

The movie, which seems to be pitched at teenage girls who would text photos of jeans while watching it, feels like an after-school special viewed on a fourth rerun. But it did make me think. I thought about tax planning, tort reform, Japanese vintage eyewear, and what I ate for lunch on May 7, 1978.

Then, blissfully, the movie ended, and I was free.

RC: The movie is five per cent jump scares, those unexpected loud noises that make you twitch in your seat, 67 per cent set-up and 28 per cent strange glances.

As Laine, Debbie's intrepid best friend, Olivia Cooke does most of the heavy lifting.

She keeps the action (such that it is) moving forward all the while displaying her mastery of the concerned look. With a furrowed brow and a determined attitude she tracks down the mystery behind her friend's death, but mostly she just looks concerned.

MB: About her career, after this turkey. The acting is so bland in this film that you're quite happy when the cast members meet their gruesome fates.

The pretty, watchable blonde is dispatched in the

Synopsis

The trouble in Ouija begins when Debbie (Shelley Hennig) breaks the first rule of witch boarding: Never play alone. She pays a heavy price for her spiritual disobedience and soon her group of good-looking friends is gathered at her funeral. "She said she'd see us the next day," says BFF Laine (Olivia Cooke). "Why would she say that?" We'll never know ... unless Laine pulls out the Ouija board! Using Debbie's board, Laine and pals try and contact their dearly departed's spirit, but instead unleash a demonic terror that threatens all of their lives.

• **Richard:** •••••

• **Mark:** •••••

first few minutes, and you breathe a short sigh of relief when the great character actor Lin Shaye shows up for a few scenes before cashing her paycheque.

RC: Most annoying is the movie's habit of telling the audience the most obvious of details.

"She played it alone," whispers Laine in amazement over a shot of, you guessed it, Debbie going solo on the Ouija board.

Instead of telling us something useful, or interesting, the film makes sure that no detail, no matter how small, is commented on.

MB: Ouija? Bored.

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See No Evil 2 is just the latest offering from the twisted minds of Vancouver's Soska twins

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In just a few short years, ravishingly beautiful twin sisters Jen and Sylvia Soska have become a Canadian cinematic institution simply by making people sick. See No Evil — or the "Twisted Twins" as they've branded themselves — make horror films and violent, joyously perverse ones at that.

In doing so, they have become icons not only of scrappy, indie splatter, but also of female empowerment in a genre not known for giving ladies a break.

The Vancouver-born and based siblings got their start with their homegrown 2009

thriller Dead Hooker in a Trunk, a rough-around-the-edges flick that they wrote, directed and even starred in. Such was their navigation of self-promotion, social networking and fan outreach that the Soskas have become darlings of the counter-culture, which in turn paved the way for their breakthrough feature, 2012's lurid and sophisticated sex-and-surgery shocker American Mary.

That picture caught the attention of no less than the wrestling powerhouse WWE, who signed the sisters on to helm See No Evil 2 (out now on DVD and Blu-ray from Lionsgate) the belated follow-up to their ultra-violent 2007 slasher See No Evil. To take on a bloody, big-budget sequel in the wake of their audaciously original efforts confused some. But there was a method to their madness.

"After American Mary, no matter what meeting we were in, what script we were pitching, they all wanted us to rehash that same idea," says Sylvia. "It was starting to get depressing. The film was such a success that people started



The Soska sisters are carving a bloody path in an industry typically ruled by men. CONTRIBUTED

to decide that this was the only thing we were capable of doing. But we wanted to do something different."

See No Evil 2 stars the mighty WWE superstar wrestler Kane as the malevolent, monstrous serial killer Jacob Goodnight, who once more

treats a gaggle of pretty young people (including American Mary star Katherine Isabelle) as slaughter fodder. But this is no ordinary, assembly-line horror sequel: it's ripe with stylistic "auteur" flourishes that fans are dubbing "Soska-esque."

"That's a huge honour," Jen

beams.

"We are inspired by directors that have a unique style and words like 'Kubrick-ian' or 'Cronenberg-esque' excite us. It's really cool that people are able to see our films and see our style and voice in them. We only make films that we love

and are emotionally invested in."

On the Cronenberg tip, it is a fact that Canada seems to house some of horror's most fevered minds. From celebrated novelists like Michael Slade (Headhunter) to iconic zombie-master George A. Romero (who defected to Toronto from Pittsburgh back in 2005) to gory special FX artists like Paul Jones (Resident Evil), the genre's pulse pounds strongly up here. And yet culturally, we rarely embrace our darker side.

"Being Canadian means a lot to us," says Sylvia.

"But there has been such a struggle with our national cinematic identity and I want to see our country give new artists like Jovanka Vuckovic, Jeremy Gardner and (horror-film collective) Astron-6 a pile of money to really show off what we're capable of. There is something very unique about Canadians."

"Our humour is weird, we push boundaries; we are an interesting people and I would love to see that shared more with the rest of the world."

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Drama



The Good Lie

Director. Philippe Falardeau, Shawn Linden

Stars. Nyakouth Weil, Reese Witherspoon

They were known as The Lost Boys. Orphaned by the brutal civil war in Sudan that began in 1983, these young victims travelled as many as 1,000 miles on foot in search of safety. Fifteen years later, a humanitarian effort would bring 3,600 lost boys and girls to America. In The Good Lie, Sudanese actors Arnold Oceng, Ger Duany, Emmanuel Jal, and newcomer Nyakouth Weil, many of whom were also children of war, star.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score

Critics: 85% Audience: 83%

Action & Adventure



John Wick

Director. Chad Stahelski

Stars. Keanu Reeves, Adrianne Palicki

An ex-hitman comes out of retirement to track down the gangsters that took everything from him. With New York City as his bullet-riddled playground, John Wick (Keanu Reeves) is a fresh and stylized take on the "assassin genre."

Rotten Tomatoes™ score

Critics: 90% Audience: 98%

Comedy



St. Vincent

Director. Theodore Melfi

Stars. Bill Murray, Melissa McCarthy

Maggie (McCarthy), a single mother, moves into a new home in Brooklyn with her 12-year old son, Oliver (Lieberher). Forced to work long hours, she has no choice but to leave Oliver in the care of their new neighbour, Vincent (Murray), a retired curmudgeon with a penchant for alcohol and gambling. An odd friendship soon blossoms between the improbable pair.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score

Critics: 64% Audience: 95%



Kill The Messenger

Director. Michael Cuesta

Stars. Jeremy Renner, Rosemarie DeWitt

Two-time Academy Award nominee Jeremy Renner (*The Bourne Legacy*) leads an all-star cast in a dramatic thriller based on the remarkable true story of Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Gary Webb. Webb stumbles onto a story which leads to the shady origins of the men who started the crack epidemic on the nation's streets.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 69% Audience: 94%

When dirty secrets come out

Writer interview. Joe Hill wanted more than a story about the devil — he wanted to ask big questions about life

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"The book is a really unhappy, paranoid novel by a really unhappy, paranoid man," says author Joe Hill of his thriller *Horns*, now a movie starring Daniel Radcliffe as a man who grows devil horns after he's accused of murdering his girlfriend.

"I wasn't in a great place mentally when I wrote it, (but) I'm very proud of *Horns*. I think it's a really fun novel."

"I had tremendous success with *Heart Shaped Box* and I fell into that cliché, the second novel trap. I wrote 400 pages of a novel I threw away. It was called *The Surrealist Glass* and it didn't work. It was no good. Although in some ways the



Joe Hill GETTY IMAGES

Surrealist Glass was the first draft of *Horns* because there were ideas and elements and even one or two chapters that were almost lifted wholesale and slotted into *Horns*.

The book finally came into focus when Hill, the son of none other than Stephen King, remembered a line he once read in a review of a sci-fi movie: 'This movie doesn't quite succeed because it isn't about anything except itself.'

"The science-fiction film (that the critic) was talking about was a prequel to a

well-known franchise about trade federations and robots blowing each other up," says Hill, the eldest son of horror legend Stephen King, "and it wasn't about anything except lasers, guns and robots. It didn't ask any of the great, almost unanswerable questions that people turn to fiction to explore."

"The one thing I always look for in a story is for it to have some sort of internal life."

"To be about something more than just a ghost or a vampire or a devil; to ask some kind of interesting question so it is about something bigger than itself. That's very possible to do in fantasy."

"I think any story about the devil is the same way. What happens when all the dirty secrets come out? What would it be like to be tempted by the things you fear most?"

The resulting book earned critical praise — Publisher's Weekly called it a "compulsively readable supernatural thriller" — and snagged him a Bram Stoker Award nomination for best novel. "Now when he's asked what he



Daniel Radcliffe stars in *Horns*, which opens next Friday. CONTRIBUTED

thinks of Alexandre Aja's film adaptation of his "unhappy, paranoid novel" he is effusive. "I think the film is wonderful," he says.

"It has a lot of cross-genre elements. It's funny. It has romance. It has a tragic aspect. It has a horror movie aspect

to it.

"Someone asked me when I was in Toronto for the premiere, 'What genre is it?', and I said, 'It's a tragecomehorredy.' I have no idea what the rest of the world will make of it, but I think it's a lot of fun."

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3 songs for the weekend

Primus goes Willy Wonka, a Halloween treat from Noel Gallagher and a System of a Down mashup

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Pure Imagination/ Primus

The band is trying the Willy Wonka trick of including five golden tickets among all the physical releases of their new album, *Primus and the Chocolate Factory*. Whoever finds those tickets will get free Primus concert tickets for life. Hey, it's worth a shot, right?



In the Heat of the Moment/Noel Gallagher's High Flying Birds

The elder brother's next solo album, *Chasing Yesterday*, won't be out until March 2, but he thought he'd drop this first single on us now, in plenty of time for Halloween.



The Wolf of System of a Down/Marca Blanca

OK, so it's not an official video — someone has carefully cut scenes from *The Wolf of Wall Street* to a System of a Down soundtrack — but it should be. Really, it should be.

Video game review



Name. Alien: Isolation

For. Xbox One or 360/PS3 or 4

Rated. Mature 17+

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There's no fighting in *Alien: Isolation*. You survive by steeling yourself against the silence of the ship, against the unnerving sounds of its vents

and computers, and against the terrifying knowledge that you're being hunted by a nightmare in the walls. The tension is right out of Ridley's film and it will send you hiding into a locker, holding your breath. You need to overcome unhelpful people and frustrating androids, craft tools and weapons. But mainly you must avoid panicking, which is wonderfully hard to do. **KRIS ABEL**

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Television. Channel geared to canine fans proves that TV really has gone to the dogs

Never before has television strayed so far off its leash. Audiences are in the middle of a digital revolution, with broadcasters and regulators scrambling to keep up with on-demand options, as well as border-busting services such as Netflix, Amazon and Hulu.

One company has taken a unique approach: Why not aim past man to man's best friend? DogTV is billed as the world's first and only TV channel for dogs. Sure, people can watch, too, but this channel's target demographic isn't adults 18-49, or females 12-34. DogTV is after the K-9 four-legged fans.

DogTV is no barker channel, but a real, honest-to-goodness pooch programmer. Discovery Communications in the U.S. is in on the venture.

DogTV CEO Gilad Neumann was happy to pitch the idea to buyers and reporters at the recent MIPCOM international television marketplace in Cannes, France.

It's already available in the U.S. through DirecTV and is live-streamed 24/7, handy if your lap dog has a laptop.

It will be expanding into



Bleu, a French bulldog, watches DogTV in her apartment. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Germany, the U.K., Ireland and France, and is also available in South Korea, Japan and Israel. Canada is still on the fence, although some Canuck buyers did stop by to give it a sniff.

Neumann admits his channel is aimed at a niche market. But he says dogs live in 30 to 50 per cent of homes across Europe and North America. Many are housebound during the day and are often bored.

The company has done its homework, and says its programming is scientifically tested to draw dogs to the

screen — not just to be pooh potatoes, but to be active and even exercise.

The images had been tweaked, with the backgrounds muted and monochromatic and the dogs a bright orange hue. Everything is geared to a dog's sense of vision and hearing.

Some of the programming is aimed at dog owners, including segments on nutrition and health, since advertisers are anxious to speak more to owners than animals.

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No hideaway for super-busy Kiesza

Music. Calgary artist feeling 'vulnerable' as her debut album Sound of a Woman is released this week

With the one-shot, non-stop Hideaway, Calgary's Kiesza introduced herself to the world with a fluttering tune and a flurry of nimble footwork — and it seems like she hasn't stopped moving since.

The song topped charts in Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands and the U.K. while reaching the Top 5 in many others, including Canada, in the spring. Her debut album, Sound of a Woman, was completed fairly quickly before its release this week.

She's still writing songs for other artists, she contributed music to a 2015 Dreamworks film, and she has designs on making her own cult flick eventually — not as a composer, but a filmmaker. Of course, that's joined by other potential pursuits, including a fashion line. A European tour is also imminent.

No longer an indie artist, Kiesza couldn't be blamed if she decided to delegate some responsibilities. Yet there she was recently touring possible settings for her second video, No Enemiesz.

"The producer just stopped for a minute and said, 'The artist never comes to the location scout. You realize this? If you have other things to do ...'" Kiesza recalled during a recent



Kiesza performs her hit song *Hideaway* at the Much Music Video Awards in June. STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

interview in Toronto. "I'm like, 'No, I need to see the rooms.' I was involved in saying this is the room I want and I want it to look this way. And this is the section I'm dancing in here."

"Sometimes the people, they don't give you that time for your art because they'd rather have you doing other things, more promo, but I put so much effort into the quality of my work. So for me, it's the most important thing that I put the time in and the preparation. The art is everything to me."

So even though the turn-

around on Sound of a Woman was fairly quick, it's tough to doubt Kiesza's commitment to the material.

Aside from the years-in-the-works synth bath So Deep, these 13 songs came together very quickly — something Kiesza's comfortable with, given that breakout *Hideaway* was written during an hour-long ride to the airport.

That sleekly propulsive number leads off the album. Hip hop crops up on the vampy *Losin' My Mind* and even more so on *Bad Thing*, a show-

case for dexterous Brooklyn teen rapper Joey Badass, one of a series of genres Kiesza hopped through: soul, Chicago house, R&B and EDM.

"They all have a place in my mind from a similar era."

That would be the '90s, when the 25-year-old was exposed to a variety of sounds by her musically adventurous mother. Some of Kiesza's earliest memories feature her mom hot-stepping around the kitchen while club music poured from the speakers.

"I don't know how she got

Quoted

"This is the music that's etched into my DNA, since being in the womb. It just flows out of me naturally"

Kiesza, singer and songwriter

into the whole Chicago house thing, because she's from Calgary — which is very much a country-music town," laughed Kiesza, born Kiesza Ellestad, reasoning that Michael Jackson was a gateway.

"She was always busting out, making breakfast for us in the morning as kids, busting out these massive dance records with divas singing on them. We'd wake up to my mom singing at the top of her lungs."

Kiesza studied music at Selkirk College in B.C. before being granted a scholarship to attend Berklee College of Music in Boston.

Her earliest compositions were simple and quiet.

"When I started writing music on the guitar, it started off very folky because of my limited ability to play," she said. "It was slow, soft melodies. But then as I got better on the guitar, I started exploring different sounds."

As usual, she jumped around a bit. "I was in a death metal band, a jazz band, a rock band, a solo pop thing where I wore spandex and aviator goggles dyed different colours," she recalled. "I felt like I was just trying on different hats and they didn't fit."

"And then writing *Hideaway*, which happened out of nowhere, and realizing this is

so right, realizing that this is the music that's etched into my DNA, since being in the womb. It just flows out of me naturally."

At Berklee, pop music was the subject of derision or outright dismissal — "at music school, pop is considered not music" — but Kiesza studied it like an academic.

She wanted to look carefully at trends in country, rock, pop, dance and rap, figuring that penning songs for artists across genres represented the best application of her talent.

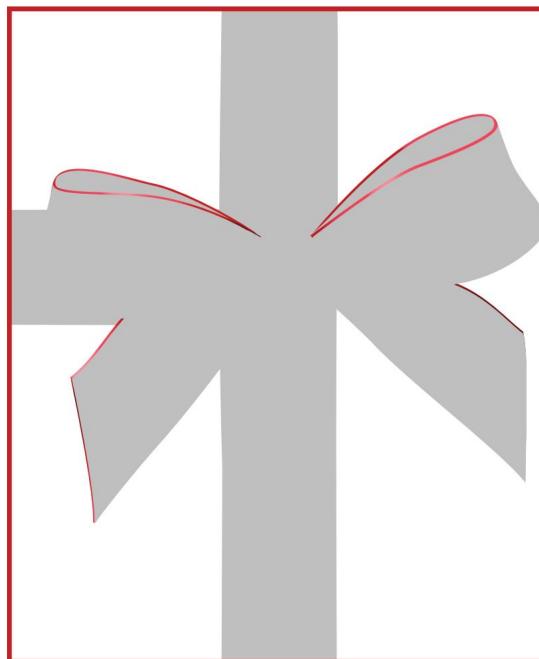
That songwriting career has been moved to the side for now, though she's waiting to find out whether three of her songs chosen by Rihanna will appear on the Barbadian star's next album.

Kiesza, who now lives in New York, says she's writing her second album now, utilizing the one big indulgence she's allowed since *Hideaway*: a new guitar.

Originally, Kiesza thought of her solo music as a side project and figured it would be "underground, maybe with an indie following."

A bigger-than-anticipated audience is paying attention now, and she knows it.

"It's hard to open up all your emotions to the world," she said. "I feel very super-vulnerable." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



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Meryl Streep will play the infamous soprano Florence Foster Jenkins. AFP FILE

Movies. Streep will sing off key for Stephen Frears

Meryl Streep will co-star with Hugh Grant in a biopic on Florence Foster Jenkins, the amateur soprano known for her particularly awful singing, the Daily Mail reports.

Streep will play the wealthy heiress and New York socialite who, despite a complete lack of rhythm and pitch, relentlessly pursued an operatic singing career. Between the 1920s and 1940s, Florence Foster Jenkins staged recitals that, paradoxically, were often well attended due to her exceptionally terrible singing, which was seen as a source of amusement. Hugh Grant will play

her manager and life companion St. Clair Bayfield.

Stephen Frears, who recently helmed *Philomena* starring Judi Dench and Steve Coogan, will direct this new biopic. Florence will be the filmmaker's latest contribution to the genre following *The Queen* (2006) and a feature on the disgraced cycling champion Lance Armstrong, which is currently in post-production.

The new biopic on the world's worst singer is in the early pre-production stage, and shooting or release dates have not been announced. AFP

TV. Netflix to stream new online series, *Bloodline*

Fresh from commercial and critical success with hit shows *House of Cards* and *Orange is the New Black*, Netflix has announced a new online series, *Bloodline*, set for release in March.

Set in the Florida Keys, the drama "centres on a close-knit family of four adult siblings whose secrets and scars are revealed when their black sheep brother returns home," the company said in a statement.

There will be 13 episodes of the first season of the show, which is streamed online.

The series features stars from television as well as the big screen, including Hollywood's Sam Shepard and Sissy Spacek, the Los Gatos, Calif. company said.

Netflix has pioneered online streaming of original content, including TV shows and films, challenging traditional network and cable broadcasters.

Last week, the company



Kyle Chandler AFP FILE

announced a Nov. 21 release date for Season 3 of its Scandinavian-set crime drama *Lilyhammer*, about an American gangster living under witness protection in Norway.

Earlier this month, Netflix announced it had recruited comic actor Adam Sandler to produce four films exclusively distributed to its subscribers, in the company's latest foray into cinema. AFP FILE

Television

James Corden takes over as host of *Late Late Show* on March 9

CBS has set March 9 for the debut of James Corden as host of *The Late Late Show*. Corden is replacing Craig Ferguson, who after a decade in the host chair exits Dec. 18.

Corden, a 36-year-old

British star, appeared in the recent film *Begin Again* with Keira Knightley and Mark Ruffalo.

His arrival is part of CBS's late-night overhaul, which will also see David Letterman depart *Late Show* next year, to be replaced by Stephen Colbert. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Movies

Ethan Hawke to play trumpeter Chet Baker

Ethan Hawke is playing legendary jazz trumpeter Chet Baker in a new film to be shot in Sudbury, Ont.

Born to Be Blue, is also set to star Callum Keith Rennie (*Fifty Shades of Grey*). The majority of the film's production is due to

take place in the northern Ontario city and principal photography is already underway.

Written and directed by Robert Budreau (*That Beautiful Somewhere*), Hawke has helped develop the project.

The actor is having a banner year. He's generating Oscar buzz for his role in *Boyhood* and stars in the upcoming drama *The Good Kill*, about drone warfare. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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My private life is off-limits, says star of Stalker

TV.
Maggie Q, who once had her own brush with stalking, believes people should safeguard their privacy



Maggie Q stars with Dylan McDermott in the series *Stalker*. MONTY BRINTON/CBS

For Maggie Q, her new series, *Stalker*, hits close to home. But not too close, if Maggie can help it. She sees privacy, and guarding her personal space, as vital to her freedom.

Even so, she has had her own brush with a stalker.

"He thought he had a relationship with me that wasn't happening," she says, recalling the delusional fan. "I didn't know that person!"

As a past star of Asian-based action films, after which she played the title character of *Nikita* for four seasons, Maggie has done her best to evade off-screen attention.

Now, in the early weeks of her new series, which airs Wednesdays at 10 p.m. ET/PT on Global, she has braced for an even greater challenge to staying out of the public eye.

On *Stalker*, she and Dylan

disrupt the flow. "I'm very bad on social media. I post nothing. I don't have Instagram, and I've never had Facebook."

Maggie finds celebrity worship bewildering.

"Look at the people who are in the news," she says, pointing to gossip-media royalty. "I don't find them fascinating. I think they're a bunch of idiots. But everybody's interested in their lives. I don't understand that. I never understood when it was happening to me."

That was in Asia more than a decade ago, when, to her chagrin, she realized she had punched her way to fanzine fame as a breakout action star.

Why were celebrity rags dogging her? She doesn't seem sure herself. "I don't find myself that interesting!" she says during a recent interview.

Now 35, she was born Margaret Denise Quigley to an American father and a Vietnamese mother, and after growing up in Hawaii with an athletic bent, she found success as a model in Hong Kong to earn money for school.

Her modelling career didn't last long. Jackie Chan signed her for a slate of action films.

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New York standup now has a seat at Weekend Update

Television. The first African-American to co-anchor SNL's news segment dishes on life in his hometown, new gig

 **NED EHRBAR**
Metro in Hollywood

It's safe to say New York City has been good to native Michael Che. The comedian and writer is co-anchor of Saturday Night Live's Weekend Update — and the first African American to sit behind the desk — a gig he left The Daily Show with Jon Stewart to take. And now he's the face of the #NYTough campaign. Not too shabby. But that doesn't mean life in New York isn't still without its drawbacks.

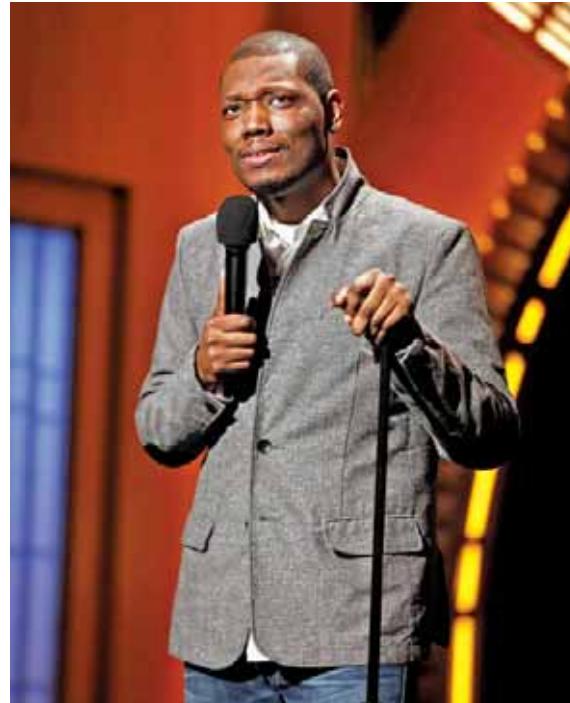
What's your approach to Weekend Update, as the newest anchor behind the desk?

My approach is just talking about things that I would like to see talked about and telling the jokes that I think are really funny. The feedback's been great. It's still a process of learning how to do the job better. I feel like every week is a process of getting better, and we're definitely headed in the right direction, and me and (co-anchor Colin) Jost are having a lot of fun up there.

Was there any level of intimidation factor the first time you sat there?

Oh, absolutely. It's extremely intimidating because you're doing something that a lot of people care about. A lot of people care about Saturday Night Live and Weekend Update — they grew up with it, it's important to them. It's like you're babysitting somebody's kid. You don't want it to get messed up on your shift.

You've done both SNL and The Daily Show now, which is impressive. Do other NYC comics resent you for hogging all the opportunities? They shouldn't. If they are, they're thinking of the wrong things. They're looking at it weird, because the more New



Standup comedian Michael Che left The Daily Show with Jon Stewart to become the co-anchor of Saturday Night Live's Weekend Update. GETTY IMAGES FILE

York comedians getting jobs on Update or Daily Show or SNL, if we do it, well, it makes it easier for the next guy because they're always looking for the next one.

Comedy is a cycle, so the more people that are like you that get these opportunities, the better. When Hannibal (Buress) gets these opportunities, I feel like I got it because it's opening doors. So be happy for me and Pete Davidson for being standups that are doing these shows because now they're going to be looking for more standups.

You're a native New Yorker. Everyone always talks about how much safer and cleaner the city has become over the last 20 or 30 years, but do you think it's gotten any tougher to live here?

New York is still the toughest city, I believe, but it's different. Obviously it's a lot more expensive and a lot faster. Technology has made things a lot easier, and it's a lot safer than it used to be, but it's still tough. Just ask anybody on the 29th when rent is due how tough New York really is.

Is there a particular NYC odour that's the worst for you?

Oh man, there's plenty of New York smells, but the empty car on a crowded subway is the worst smell in New York City. You walk in because you say, "Wow, there are seats!" Every other car is crowded. Then as soon as you get on you get why that train car is empty — because it smells to holy hell and the doors are closed and you can't get off. That's the toughest thing to smell in New York, in my opinion.

You used to be able to actually walk between the cars.

You used to! You used to be able to walk through the cars, but I guess a lot of people got hurt so they stopped that.

I feel like New York has grown up a lot as far as safety. It used to be you could do a lot of dangerous things, but now there's a cop stand on every corner. It's changed in that way. It's still a tough place to live.



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Chic-lit pioneer Becky heads to Rodeo Drive

Shopaholic to the Stars. Author Sophie Kinsella discusses her new book and its deeper themes about men and women

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When Sophie Kinsella released *Confessions of a Shopaholic* in 2003, chick lit was new. But the book about romance, shopping sprees and friendship resonated worldwide and spawned a movie.

It's been four years since the last *Shopaholic*, but Kinsella is now releasing the seventh book. We talk to her about how writing for women has changed, the book's deeper themes and what's next.

It's been four years since the last *Shopaholic* book. Why so long?

I was very eager to write

another *Shopaholic* book, but I was also eager to write *I've Got Your Number* and *Wedding Night*, two stand-alone novels I've written in between. Oh, and I had a baby along the way. Hence the slight delay.

How did you come up with the idea?

Sending Becky to Hollywood is an idea I've been mulling on for ages — especially since I was involved in the *Shopaholic* movie. All the time I was on set or in L.A., I kept thinking, "What would Becky do? How would she react to L.A.?" I knew she would go on quite a journey and I couldn't wait to write it.

***Shopaholic To The Stars* has a deep theme of how women's work is valued versus their husband's work. Is this a discussion you wanted to spark?**

I never write any scenes deliberately to provoke discussion, but I do try to reflect reality as I see it. The struggle for any family to

balance its breadwinning and parenting needs is definitely a big issue of today. Becky and Luke have a very real dilemma. They want to support each other, follow their individual ambitions, but remain a tight family unit. It's a tough task and I don't think there are any easy answers.

Has writing about Becky changed since the first book?

Becky has changed and grown and the world has moved on. When I started writing the first *Shopaholic* book, debt was not the topical subject it is today — in fact, I feel like I was ahead of the curve! Now we are all very aware — not just of our own personal debt but of our nations' debts. The financial crisis shook us all up and it was weirdly satisfying writing Becky's response to it in *Mimi Shopaholic*.

I think the world has been through its own shopaholic journey — borrow, spend, regret it, pay the price. We're all a bit wiser

now, and Becky is, too.

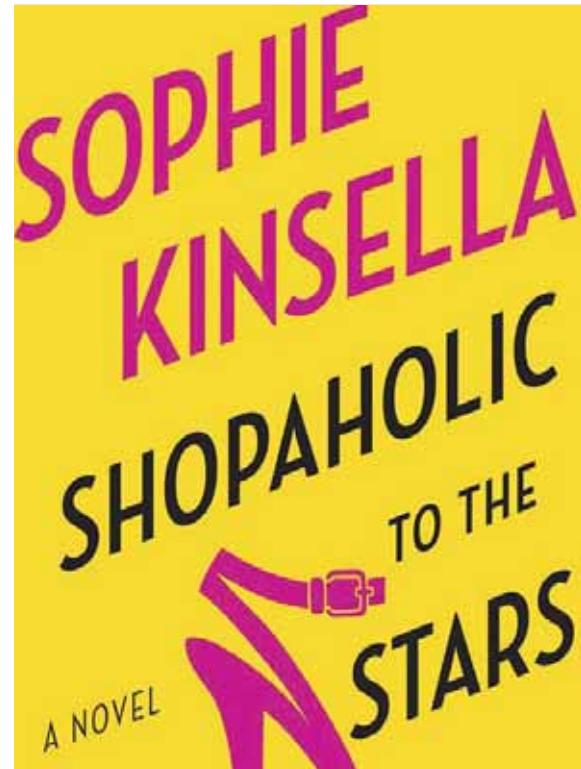
You were one of the first authors whose books were labelled chick lit. Was that a label you embraced?

I'm fairly relaxed about the phrase chick lit, partly because it's so nebulous. What does it even mean, exactly? No one seems sure. But I do think it's a shame to categorize a readership as all-female before you even begin. I know I have some male readers, even if they hide the books behind sports magazines. So I'd prefer romantic comedy, or the label I saw in a bookshop once: wit lit.

You leave things a bit open-ended in this book. Can you reveal what happens next?

It was a lot of fun writing the end of *Shopaholic To The Stars*. While much of the story is tied up, there is a bit of a cliffhanger — I'm a sucker for a cliffhanger — but don't worry, I'm hard at work writing the sequel.

Let's just say that Becky is on the road.



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How do you follow in the footsteps of Frank Sinatra and Ray Charles without sinking in the footsteps of Frank Sinatra and Ray Charles?

The answer, for Annie Lennox at least, is to throw out, to the greatest degree possible, the work of these giants and tackle some of their classics anew: no use of their phrasing, their arrangements, their orchestral sheets allowed.

The former Eurythmics star sat down — slowly and deliberately — with songs like *Mood Indigo* and *Georgia on My Mind* and reduced them to their bare essentials before building them up, in her own style, without trying to recapture the past. That's the strategy she has used in her new album released Tuesday called *Nostalgia*, a move into jazz that pays homage to the Great American Songbook.

The challenge was to do it her way — sorry, Frank — so the songs could sound fresh. The last thing she wanted to do was imitate the masters, including Billie Holiday, whose signature songs *God Bless the Child* and *Strange Fruit* are featured.

"I tried to step away from all the other arrangements," said Lennox, who worked



Former Eurythmics star Annie Lennox, 59, keeps her head up and experiments with a new style on her latest album, *Nostalgia*. CASEY CURRY/INVISION/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Inspiration

"I was just singing for fun and then it occurred to me, actually, it was quite a bit of fun."

Annie Lennox says the idea for the album started to percolate two years ago when she was rehearsing with Herbie Hancock for a performance at an AIDS benefit.

on the album alone with her voice and a keyboard in a rented cottage in Cape Town, South Africa.

"I tried to strip them down to their raw, bare version. Once I knew I could do that, just singing and playing the chords on piano, getting to the core of the song, without any

elaboration, then I could work on it, from the core root up."

She wanted to avoid the "inherent danger" of just covering the songs, imitating the greatest vocalists of the last century with the help of a skilled arranger and an orchestra leader.

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Zach Galifianakis ALL PHOTOS: GETTY IMAGES

One good fern deserves another as Brad gives as good as Zach gets

Here's a little fresh Internet to brighten your day: Funny or Die has a new episode of Zach Galifianakis' cringe-inducing faux-talk show, Between Two Ferns, this time featuring Fury star Brad Pitt. "You play a lot of people that are Nazi-haters, which is weird to me," Galifianakis tells Pitt (identified on-screen as Bart Pit from 12 Years a Slave). "Because you

look like Hitler's dream." Other moments of wonderful awkwardness include Galifianakis gifting Pitt a bong, asking him if it's hard to maintain a suntan while living in Angelina Jolie's shadow and introducing Louis C.K. mid-interview to do a little standup. But it's his last question — which prompts quite a response from Pitt — that steals it.

Gal pal donned black tie to escort a dateless Keira Knightley to the prom

You're going to find this very hard to believe, but Keira Knightley insists she couldn't find a guy to take her to the prom. First of all, they have proms in the U.K., too? And second of all, are you kidding me, young British teenagers 10 years ago? What's wrong

with you?! So instead, Knightley ended up going with a female pal. "Neither of us got invited by anybody else. No guys came anywhere near us," Knightley says. "But she had black tie because it was black tie." Well, at least someone treated her like a lady.

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The Word

McConaughey opens mouth, puts in one foot, then the other



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Oh, Matthew McConaughey. Sometimes you should just keep your mouth shut. As a lifelong fan of the Washington Redskins, the Interstellar star hopes that all the hubbub about the team's name and emblem being insensitive and maybe needing to change will just blow over. "I love the emblem. I dig it. It gives me a little fire and some oomph. But now that's in the court of public opinion, it's going to change. I wish it wouldn't, but it will," he tells GQ.

But what really bothers him? The trendiness of it all. "What interests me is how quickly it got pushed into the social consciousness. We were fine with it since the 1930s, and all of a sudden we go, 'No, gotta change it?' It seems like when the levee breaks, everybody gets on board," he says. I could list some



other things "we" were fine with since the 1930s that eventually needed to be changed, but I don't think it would sink in.

McConaughey then goes on to employ the ever-popular "some of my best friends" defense, adding, "I know a lot of Native Americans don't have a problem with it, but they're not going to say, 'No, we really want the name.' That's not how they're going to use their pulpit."

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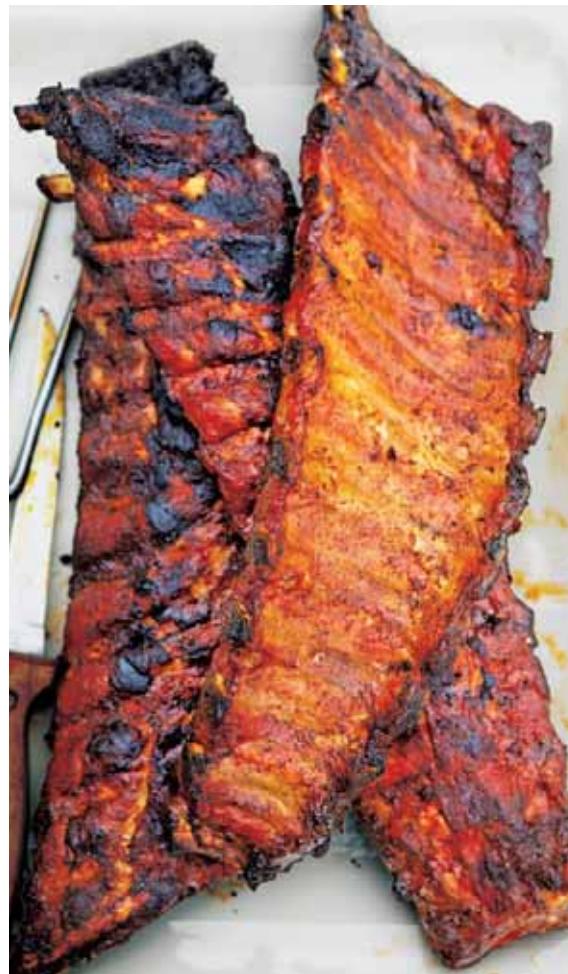
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Pork ribs are often typecast as casual, game-night nosh, but they can easily be transformed into something a little more upscale.

1. Place a large rectangular disposable aluminum plate under the grill grate (the aluminum plate should be as large as the surface of the ribs side by side to avoid direct contact with the flame). Fill with the wood chips. Preheat the grill on high until the wood begins to smoke, about 15 to 20 minutes.

2. Meanwhile, in a bowl, combine the spices, brown sugar, salt and pepper. Set aside.

3. In a measuring cup, combine the beer and maple syrup. Set aside.

4. Rub both sides of the ribs with the dry rub. Place on the grill, side by side, bone side down. Cover with aluminum foil.

5. Reduce the heat of the grill

to medium-low. Close the lid (keep the lid closed throughout the cooking period to preserve the smoke and heat) and cook for 30 minutes.

6. Turn the ribs and pour some of the beer mixture over the bones. Cover and continue cooking for about 30 minutes. After the first hour of cooking, baste and turn the ribs every 15 minutes, for about 30 to 45 minutes or until tender. Check the ribs frequently towards the end of cooking as they caramelize and burn easily. Alternatively, you can cook the ribs in a 300 F (150 C) oven for 1 hour and 30 minutes or until the meat is tender. Baste as above after first hour. Broil for 5 minutes to brown the meat just before serving. FOLLOW RICARDO ON SOCIAL MEDIA AND ON RICARDOUCUISINE.COM OR SUBSCRIBE TO HIS MAGAZINE'S ENGLISH EDITION, WHICH LAUNCHED THIS SEPTEMBER!

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- 2 tbsp (30 ml) maple syrup
- 5 lb (2.2 kg) pork baby back ribs, trimmed (to trim the ribs, just remove the white membrane on the back of the ribs with paper towel)



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Even if you adore French wine, odds are you'd rather watch grape juice ferment than a documentary about the highs and lows of being an affluent chateau owner in Bordeaux.

Some can be as stiff as their expensive shirt collars, which is what kept me away from Red Obsession when it briefly hit theatres.

I finally caught it on Netflix and, to paraphrase a famous line from another movie delivered by Obsession's narrator Russell Crowe, I was "entertained."

While the focus of the doc is on China's sudden love affair with Bordeaux, it's the people behind the wines who are the stars.

They all come off as down to earth and entertaining, especially Château Pétrus' Christian Moueix.

If you've got bags of money you can sip on Pétrus while you watch the flick. If not, I recommend the 2009 Christian Moueix Merlot (\$16.98 - \$21.99) as the best pairing.

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A swimming pool hidden under the decking? Check. Wind turbines on the roof? Check. It's all in a day's work for Philippe Starck, who unveiled the prototype for his new range of eco-friendly houses in Paris last week.

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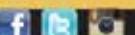


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Downton Abbey Lighting by River of Goods will be unveiled in January 2015 to coincide with the Season 5 premiere of the show in

the U.S. on Jan. 4 on PBS. Suggested retail prices will range from \$35 to \$400. AFP

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U.S. home accessories store River of Goods has announced plans to launch the first official Downton Abbey Lighting collection next January. The collection will feature a series of 20 decorative floor and table lamps, wall sconces,

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Basketball on rise nationwide: Riley

NBL Canada. Whether it's grassroots action or pro leagues, commissioner says the sport is growing



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Paul Riley believes basketball is the fastest growing sport in the country because it "doesn't discriminate."

"You don't even have to have a ball," the National Basketball League of Canada commissioner said Thursday from Toronto. "Someone at the court will have one — you just show up."

As more Canadian kids take up a game invented within our borders and opt for sneakers over hockey skates, interest in the homegrown pro league that includes the Halifax Rainmen is also on the rise, he said.

"There's a real shift," said Riley of the Canadian sports community. "Hockey's kind of priced itself out of the marketplace for the average family."

But like hockey, basketball is a fun team sport, which benefits participants both on and off the court.

That's why Riley and the NBL Canada brass aren't just focused on developing their league, but the sport itself, from backyard hoops to courts like Scotiabank Centre, home to the Rainmen.

Riley served as captain of the Dalhousie Tigers for three seasons while earning his undergraduate degree in



National Basketball League of Canada commissioner Paul Riley says basketball is the fastest-growing sport in the country. CONTRIBUTED/NBL CANADA

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"In this ... great country of ours, the favourite sport of people 17 and under is basketball."

National Basketball League of Canada commissioner Paul Riley

sports business administration.

"Our league is a professional league, but it's a community league," Riley said. "Win or lose, players come out and sit at an autograph table and meet the fans."

All eight teams also stop by schools in their cities regularly to touch on important topics such as literacy, physical fitness and sportsmanship. The league's goal this season is 500 school visits, he said.

But Riley recognizes that

the league and its teams face some serious challenges for a sustainable future.

"There have been some hiccups along the way," Riley said. "What we want is that stability; we want consistency."

That includes attracting more talent to the league, and getting corporations to buy into the fact that "basketball is taking over the country."

Halifax "is the best basketball market" in Canada, Riley added. "There's a love for the sport there."

AUS football

Huskies down to last chance for win

The 2014 football season has been a rough road for the Saint Mary's Huskies.

And unfortunately for the historical Halifax football franchise, it ends early, with seven straight losses meaning the Huskies won't be advancing to playoffs, for the first time in 16 years.

But they do have one more chance to walk off the field with a win this year.

The Huskies welcome the Acadia Axemen for their final game of the season Saturday. Kickoff is set for 2 p.m. at Huskies Stadium on the Saint Mary's University campus.

The last time these two teams met, the Axemen beat the Huskies 16-3 at Acadia University in Wolfville. It was the closest score for the Saint Mary's Huskies this season. METRO

Bluenose Squash Classic

World-class squash players swing into town

Some of the top squash players from across the globe will soon be in Halifax.

The Fiera Properties Bluenose Squash Classic takes place Oct. 27-Nov. 1 at the Homburg Centre for Health and Wellness on the Saint Mary's University campus.

The ninth annual event features 28 players, including three ranked in the Top 10 internationally and two ranked in the Top 20 of the world, competing for a \$50,000 prize, a news release said.

"This lineup will produce some of the best squash ever seen here in Halifax," tournament chair Zal Davar said in the release.

The main round lineup includes Bluenose defending champion Miguel Angel Rodriguez of Colombia, ranked 13th in the world; sixth-ranked Borja Golan of Spain; along with eighth-ranked Peter Barker and 10th-ranked Daryl Selby, both from England. Sixteen qualifiers will also compete to be one of four players to join the main round.

Tickets are available at the Homburg Centre box office or by calling 902-420-5555. METRO

Mooseheads taking it one game at a time

The Halifax Mooseheads will be tested this weekend with three games in as many days.

But they're taking it "one game at a time," Herd head coach Dominique Ducharme said Thursday.

The Moose face the Gatineau Olympiques at Centre Robert-Guertin on Friday night, followed by a game against the Blainville-Boisbriand Armada at Centre d'excellence Sports Rousseau on Saturday afternoon. They cap off the weekend against the Victoriaville Tigres at the



Mooseheads head coach
Dominique Ducharme METRO FILE

Colisée Desjardins on Sunday afternoon.

"We're not looking too

far ahead," Ducharme said. "We're preparing for Gatineau."

The Mooseheads could certainly use three wins out of this weekend's road trip. They currently sit in fifth place of the Maritimes Division of the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League, with a 4-7-1 record on the 2014-15 season.

"Our guys are in good shape physically," he said. "It's mentally that we need to be strong, and take it one challenge at a time."

In addition to a less than

stellar start to the season, the Moose have suffered several injuries and have also been playing without forward Brandon Vuic, 19, who has been sitting as a healthy scratch while facing impaired driving charges.

Ducharme couldn't say whether Vuic will be back in the lineup this weekend.

"We'll see," is all the head coach would say Thursday.

Goals for the Moose this weekend are simply to "be better than last weekend," Ducharme said. "We want to improve." KRISTEN LIPSCOMBE/METRO



Jimmy Howard makes a stop in front of Penguins captain Sidney Crosby during the Red Wings' 4-3 overtime win over Pittsburgh on Thursday night in Detroit.

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Red Wings shock Pens with late rally

NHL. With goalie pulled, Detroit offence scores two to set up overtime triumph

Justin Abdelkader's goal 4:16 into overtime capped a dramatic Detroit rally, giving the Red Wings a 4-3 victory over the Pittsburgh Penguins on Thursday night.

The Red Wings scored twice with their goalie pulled in the

On Thursday

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final 2:39 of regulation, tying the game on Niklas Kronwall's goal with 38.9 seconds to play.

On the winner, Henrik Zetterberg deflected Paul Mar-

tin's clearing attempt from behind the net. The puck went right to Abdelkader in the slot, and he beat goalie Thomas Greiss to the stick side.

Kronwall had two goals and an assist for Detroit.

Pascal Dupuis and Olli Maatta scored in the first period for the Penguins, and Chris Kunitz added a goal in the second.

With 2:55 remaining in regulation, the Red Wings pulled goalie Jimmy Howard. The move paid off immediately

when Zetterberg came down the middle and beat Greiss high to the glove side to make it 3-2.

With Howard pulled again in the final minute, Pittsburgh had the puck in the Detroit zone but was unable to get a shot through into the empty net. The Red Wings came down the other way on a rush, and rather than attempt a shot from around the crease, Pavel Datsyuk dropped a pass to Kronwall, whose shot from the high slot tied it.

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QMJHL

Drakkar top Screaming Eagles

Frederic Gamelin had the shootout winner as the Baie-Comeau Drakkar edged the Cape Breton Screaming Eagles 5-4 on Thursday in QMJHL action.

Former Moosehead Luca Ciampini, Valentin Zykov, Simon Chevrier, and Vincent Lavoie all scored for Baie-Comeau (10-4-1) in regulation time. Ciampini and Maxime St-Cyr had shootout goals.

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WTA Finals

Bouchard bows out in Singapore

Eugenie Bouchard's brilliant season on the WTA Tour came to an anticlimactic end in Singapore.

Bouchard lost 6-1, 6-1 to Serena Williams on Thursday, eliminating her from semifinal contention at the season-ending WTA Finals.

The native of Westmount, Que., struggled at the tournament, failing to win a set in three straight losses against Simona Halep, Ana Ivanovic and Williams.

NBA

Creaky back takes season from Nash

Los Angeles Lakers guard Steve Nash has been ruled out for the season with a back injury, putting the two-time NBA MVP's career in doubt.

The Lakers announced their decision Thursday, less than a week before the start of the 40-year-old Nash's 19th NBA season.

Nash strained his back while carrying bags several days ago and has now been ruled out for the season.

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NHL. Sens-Redblacks looking to help Ottawa move on after shootings

On Friday night, the CFL's Ottawa Redblacks will return to the field. The NHL's Senators will take the ice Saturday.

Neither game has much significance in the standings — the Redblacks are playing out their disappointing inaugural season while the Sens are just getting their campaign started.

But after Wednesday's brazen attack on Parliament Hill, the games have become something more than just sporting events.

Players on both teams say they hope it will help lift the heartbroken city's spirits and begin the healing process.

"I think it shows we are defiant to outside threats or acts of terrorism," said Jeff Hunt, president of the Ottawa Sports & Entertainment Group, which owns the Redblacks. "We're going to continue to live as Canadians and enjoy our lives and enjoy our freedoms. A sporting event is

Quoted



"Anything we can do to help with spirits or take our minds off things we'll be happy to do."

Ottawa Senators centre Kyle Turris.

never more important than after something like what happened here in Ottawa."

The Redblacks game against the Montreal Alouettes will be the first large scale public gathering since Wednesday's shooting at the National War Memorial and Parliament Hill.

Both the Senators, who host the New Jersey Devils on Saturday, and Redblacks said fans should expect increased security measures.

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Broncos beat up on Bolts

Broncos receiver Emmanuel Sanders catches one of his three touchdowns against the San Diego Chargers on Thursday night in Denver. The Broncos won 35-21. DOUG PENNINGER/GETTY IMAGES



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16-year vet finally in World Series

Star pitcher. Giants' Tim Hudson reaches his first Fall Classic at age 39

In the middle of a champagne-and-beer-soaked clubhouse after the San Francisco Giants won the NL Championship Series, Tim Hudson was given the chance to speak to his team.

The message was as simple as Hudson's approach on the mound: "World Series, baby!"

After 16 years, 214 regular-season wins and seven failed trips to the post-season, Hudson has finally made it to baseball's biggest stage at age 39.

Hudson is set to take the mound Friday night for the Giants when they return home to face Jeremy Guthrie and the Royals in Game



Tim Hudson has appeared in 470 regular-season and playoff games combined, but he'll pitch in the World Series for the first time as the Giants take on the Kansas City Royals on Friday night in San Francisco. DILIP VISHWANAT/GETTY IMAGES

3 of the World Series after a two-game split in Kansas City.

"I think everybody thinks about it every year

they play," Hudson said. "Obviously when you go 16 years without having been

able to experience something like this, you wonder

if it's going to happen. I'm no different than anybody."

Hudson's brilliant career began on the other side of San Francisco Bay as he

helped Oakland make four straight trips to the post-season that ended with Game 5 losses in the division series.

Hudson got back to the playoffs with Atlanta, losing in the division series in 2005 to Houston and 2010 to San Francisco. The Braves made it again last year when Hudson was hurt but lost again in the division series.

After signing a \$23-million, two-year contract this off-season with San Francisco, Hudson finally got to experience post-season success.

"Coming off my injury last year, I knew that I probably don't have a lot of years left," Hudson said. "That was a huge reason I came here to San Francisco. It's unfolding just how I figured it would."

Hudson got no-decisions in his first two post-season starts, allowing five runs in 13 2/3 innings against Washington and St. Louis.

Generational player

Tim Hudson has a 214-124 career record with a 3.45 ERA. The only pitchers with more wins and a better winning percentage since the Second World War are Roger Clemens, Randy Johnson, Mike Mussina, Jim Palmer and Pedro Martinez.

The limited work of late has paid dividends. Hudson looks much fresher than he did in September when he went 0-4 with an 8.72 ERA in five starts to end the season while dealing with a bum hip.

"He's a veteran, been around a long time, seen a lot of stuff," Giants ace Madison Bumgarner said. "He brings a lot to the table, and I feel like he's still as good as he's ever been."

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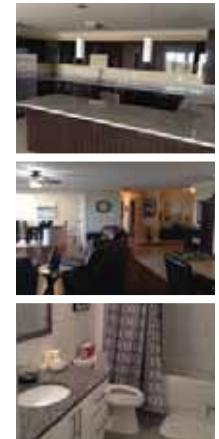


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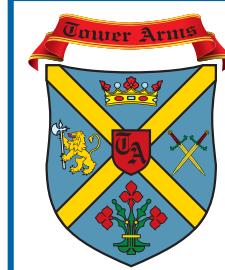
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March 21 - April 20

Let relationship issues take care of themselves today and over the weekend. You have spent too much time worrying about how others are coping with their emotional upsets. Your own needs require attention.

♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

It may seem like a partnership has reached a point where it can no longer do anything for you, but you are wrong. What happens today will make you realize it still has much to offer.

♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Don't brood about big things you cannot change. Instead, focus on small things you can do right now. Small steps will become giant strides.

♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

It's not often you need to be told to keep your feet on the ground but with so much fantastic cosmic activity it will be easy to get carried away.

♌ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

There may be some irritating things going on but don't overreact. A loved one is not behaving badly because it is their nature but because they need time alone.

♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

No matter how emotionally draining recent events may have been, you are past the worst. Expect to be rewarded.

♎ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Don't let financial issues dent your confidence. The Sun in Scorpio over the next few weeks will bring new possibilities. Keep your eyes and ears open.

♏ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Life moves in never-ending cycles and because the cycle you have now entered is positive in the extreme you have every right to feel pleased.

♐ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

Your imagination is active, which means you should make a point of focusing on good things only. If you let negative thoughts take hold they will be very hard to shake off again.

♑ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Have you recently taken a decisive step, one that could have a huge effect on the working pattern of your life? If so, you are advised to stop and think about it some more.

♒ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

The Sun in the area of your chart that governs your social and professional reputation makes this one of the most vital times of the year. Whatever your goals, get serious.

♓ Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

After a few gloomy weeks, you can't help but be delighted with life. Make it your business today to help those who are still trapped in the darkness.

Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan

Across

- 2014 Toronto mayoral candidate Mr. Goldkind
- Poet's preposition
- Prepares the morning bread
- Ern as Erne = ___ sp.
- Not ever, poetically
- "Such an amazing feat!"
- "___ Blind" by 54-40
- Robert Urich's mid-'70s police series, "___-___"
- Bug
- Performs in the ballroom
- Brick carrier
- Pump part
- Setting of #52-Across, ___ Centre
- Astronomer of note (b.1564 - d.1642)
- Yarn
- Norse deity
- For instances, for short
- Sailor's stop!
- ___ station
- Most near
- Airport posting, for short
- ___-fatty acids
- And so forth, commonly
- Burger alternative
- Quick, office-style
- International Festival of ___, on now in Toronto

Down

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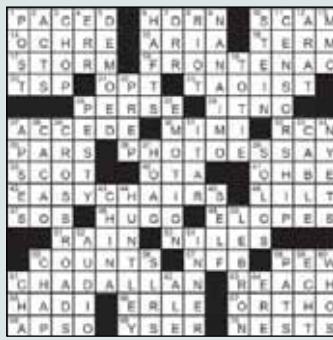
- Many
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- More embarrassed
- Balm additive
- Annex
- Peace talks agreement
- Rockefeller Center muralist
- Funnyman Mr. Brooks

Down

- French
- Many
- Tint
- More embarrassed
- Balm additive
- Annex
- Peace talks agreement
- Rockefeller Center muralist
- Funnyman Mr. Brooks
- Soothing drink
- 'Straight'-meaning prefix
- Nunavut expanse
- "You're Still the ___" by Shania Twain
- Hockey scoring award, ___ Ross Trophy
- Short but heated fight

- Jean-___ (Montreal metro station)
- Rain/snow mix
- Face part
- KO'd
- Store sale's 'two for the price...' acronym
- Like fizzy-less pop
- Gun the engine
- Belinda Carlisle, for one
- Mr. Sandler
- Ms. Watier
- Opposite NW
- Prefix with 'dynamic'
- Headliner
- Tom Cruise movie
- Pillow's packaging
- And others, for short: 2 wds.
- Michelangelo, at times
- Chitchat
- How comes??
- Important thoroughfare
- Sports org.
- Silverware service: 2 wds.
- Sluggish
- Provide food for an event
- Lyric poem variety
- Bodybuilding legend Charles
- Band for Irish singer Van Morrison
- Govern
- Shout!
- Mom on "Rhoda"
- Rent
- Grand ___ Opry

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